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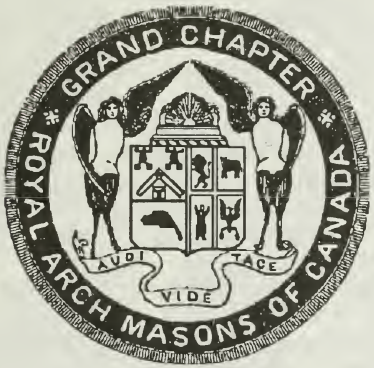

Held in the Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel
Rexdale, Ontario, Canada
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.
April 14, 15, 16, 1992

Donald F. Kline
Grand Z.
889 Hollowtree Cres.,
Mississauga, ON.
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Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E.
505-3500 Dufferin St.,
Downsview, ON.
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BIOGRAPHY

DONALD F. KLINE

Personal:

Born – Schomberg, Ontario, November 18, 1931
Son of Frederick and Dorothea Kline
Educated in Brampton and Toronto
Married Ruth K. Moffatt March 8, 1958, 2 daughters – Wendy & Lori
Business – President of Newfast Limited
Religion – Member of Bethesda United Church, Mississauga

Masonic

Symbolic:

1967 – Raised in Birch Cliff Lodge # 612, Scarborough
1975 – Worshipfull Master
1975 – Charter Member Mount Moriah Lodge # 727, Brampton

Capitular Masonry:

1968 – Exalted Lebanon Chapter # 220, Etobicoke
1874 – Member Toronto Districts 8 and 8A Principals Association
1976 – First Principal
1977 – Secretary to Grand Superintendent, Toronto District 8A
1978 – Grand Stewart
1982 – 1986 – Member Grand Executive Committee
1982 – Appointed Grand Representative Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, near the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in Province of Ontario.
1985 – Life Member Member of Lebanon Chapter # 220, Etobicoke
1986 – Elected Grand 3rd Principal
1988 – Elected Grand 2nd Principal
1988 – Honorary Member Georgian Principals Association
1990 - Elected Grand 1st Principal
- Charter member Brampton Chapter # 265, Brampton
- Honorary Member Peel Chapter # 195
- Honorary Member Signet Chapter # 34, Barrie
- Honorary Member the St. Patrich Chapter # 145, Newmarket
- Honorary Member King Solomon's Chapter # 8, Markham
- Honorary Member University Chapter # 241, Thornhill
- Honorary Member St.Andrew & St.John Chapter # 4, Toronto

Knights Templar:

1974 – Cyrene Preceptory # 29, Toronto
1989 – Marshal

Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline

Cryptic Rite:

1980 – Greeted Keystone Council Royal & Select Masters # 20, Mississauga.
1981 – Elevated in Etobicoke Lodge # 17, Royal Ark Mariners
1988 – Thrice Illustrious Master
1988 – Worshipful Commander Noah
1989 – Appointed Grand Sentinal of Grand Council
1989 – Member of Ontario Council, Thrice Illustrious Masters

York Rite College:

1982 – Athelstan York Rite College # 41, Toronto
1984 – Associate Regent and awarded order of the Purple Cross
1984 – 1990 Conductor of Purple Cross, York Rite Sovereign College of North America
1991 – Chancellor, Athelstan York Rite College # 41, Toronto

Red Cross of Constantine:

1985 – Holy Land Conclave # 3, Toronto
1988 – Charter Member Holy Trinity Conclave # 34, Etobicoke

Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite:

1983 – Murton Lodge of Perfection, Hamilton
1983 – Hamilton Chapter Rose Croix, Hamilton
1983 – Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton
1984 – 1991 – Member of Registration Committee

Sundry:

1975 – Member of Rameses Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Toronto
1982 – Order of the High Priesthood
1985 – President Kingsway Shrine Club
1987 – Member of York Tabernacle # 93, H.R.A.K.T.P., Toronto

GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

An especial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was called for on Saturday, June 8, 1991, at the New Brampton Masonic Temple, 955 Clark Blvd., Bramalea, Ontario, for the purpose of dedicating the Lodge Room for the use of Royal Arch Masonry, and Peel Chapter No. 195, as well as Brampton Chapter No. 265 in particular.

PRESENT

M.Ex.Comp. Donald F. Kline	-Grand Z	}
R.Ex.Comp. G. Albert Jackson	-Grand H	} Grand Council
R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker	-Grand J	}
R.Ex.Comp. Roy Doherty	-Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8A	
R.Ex.Comp. Charles Meldrum	-Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8	
R.Ex.Comp. Vaughan Wilson	-Grand Superintendent Niagara District 7	
R.Ex.Comp. Rev. Beverly Leslie	-Grand Chaplin	
R.Ex.Comp. Harold Hubbell	-Grand Treasurer	
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W. Elcombe	-Grand Scribe E	
R.Ex.Comp. Dale Plant	-Grand Scribe N	
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Means	-Grand Principal Sojourner	
R.Ex.Comp. Fred Garvien	-Acting Grand Registrar	
R.Ex.Comp. Edward Ounjian	-Acting Grand Senior Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. A.E. John Grove	-Grand Junior Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. John Whitten	-Grand Director of Ceremonies	
V.Ex.Comp. Burton Holland	-Grand Outer Guard	
R.Ex.Comp. Basil Fowler	-Acting Grand Pursuivant	
V.Ex.Comp. G.E. Clarke	-Grand Organist	

Assisting- -M.Ex.Comps. – Aube Weisman, Gorden H. Stuart, Ernie Cassidy (Quebec)
-R.Ex.Comps. – Gorden Sinclair, David Rogers, David Odishaw
Lawrence Halliday, Harry Turner, Robert Rigby
-V.Ex.Comps. – Percy Emslie, John Beedham, Fred Johns, David Gillelan

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 10.15 A.M., when the Grand First Principal announced that the especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of dedicating the Lodge Room of Brampton Masonic Temple for Peel Chapter No. 198 and Brampton Chapter No. 265 of Brampton. A deputation was called off for the sufficient time for the dedication. The Ceremony being performed, the Grand First Principal brought Greetings, gave words of encouragement and support to the Chapters, and Grand Chapter retired. Grand Chapter was then called on and after thanks, Most Excellent Companion Kline closed in Ample Form at 11.35 A.M. The Companions then joined with Grand Chapter for light refreshments and each went to his home.

Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E.

An especial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was called on Saturday, June 15, 1991 at the Masonic Temple, 378 Albert Street East, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, for the purpose of rededicating the Lodge Room, for Royal Arch Masonry, marking the 100th.
Anniversary of Algonquin Chapter No. 102.

PRESENT

M.Ex.Comp. Donald F. Kline	-Grand Z	}
R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson	-Grand H	} Grand Council
R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker	-Grand J	}
R.Ex.Comp. Warren	-First	} Three
Ex.Comp. John Gamble	-Second	} Lights
Ex.Comp. David Gamble	-Third	} Triangularly
Ex.Comp. B. Cunningham	-First	} Ark of the
Ex.Comp. Angus Fudge	-Second	} Covenant
R.Ex.Comp. Horace Walker	-Corn	} Three Elements
Ex.Comp. Robert Grieves	-Wine	} of
R.Ex.Comp. Arthur Cheetham	-Oil	} Consecration
Ex.Comp. Thomas Bennett	-Pot of Incense	
R.Ex.Comp. Charles Meldrum	-Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8	
R.Ex.Comp. Roy Doherty	-Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8A	
R.Ex.Comp. William Holton	-Grand Superintendent St. Lawrence District 12	
R.Ex.Comp. Steven Kozak	-A\Grand Superintendent New Ontario District 15	
V.Ex.Comp. Rev. G. Dobinson	-Assistant Grand Chaplin	
V.Ex.Comp. Percy Emslie	-Acting Grand Scribe E.	
R.Ex.Comp. William Walker	-Grand Treasurer	
R.Ex.Comp. Fred Garvin	-Acting Grand Scribe N.	
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Meens	-Grand Principal Sojourner	
Ex.Comp. David Gamble	-Acting Grand Senior Principal	
V.Ex.Comp. John Grove	-Grand Junior Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. Warren Newton	-Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies	
Ex.Comp. John E. Gamble	-Acting Grand Outer Guard	
Principals of Constituted Chapters:		
Ex.Comp. Douglas Bell	-Z St. John's Chapter 103	
Ex.Comp. Patrick McCuaig	-Z Tuscan Chapter 95	

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 10.05 A.M. when the Grand First Principal announced that a especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of rededicating the Lodge Room, marking the 100th Anniversary of Royal Arch Masonry by Algonquin Chapter No. 102. a deputation was called off for the sufficient time for dedication. The Ceremony being performed, the Grand First Principal brought Greetings, gave words of encouragement and support to the Chapter and Grand Chapter retired. Grand Chapter was then called on after thanks, Most Excellent Companions Kline closed in Ample Form at 10.50 A.M. The Companions then joined with Grand Chapter for refreshments and each went to his home.

Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E.

An especial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was called for on Saturday, September 21, 1991, at the Masonic Temple, North Bay, Ontario, for the purpose of rededicating the Lodge Room, marking the 100th Anniversary of Royal Arch Masonry by St. John's Chapter, No. 103

PRESENT

M.Ex.Comp. Donald F. Kline	-Grand Z	}
R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson	-Grand H	} Grand Council
R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker	-Grand J	}
V.Ex.Comp. William McNutt	-First	} Three
Ex.Comp. David Miles	-Second	} Lights
Ex.Comp. R.T. Grieve	-Third	} Triangularly
Ex.Comp. R.E. Fenton	-First	} Ark of the
Comp. Wilson Brown	-Second	} Covenant
Ex.Comp. Angus Fudge	-Corn	} Three Elements
R.Ex.Comp. W.O. Mulack	-Wine	} of
V.Ex.Comp. Edwin Walker	-Oil	} Consecration
V.Ex.Comp. D. Grafton Snider	-Pot of Incense	
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Norsworthy	-Grand Superintendent Hamilton District 5	
R.Ex.Comp. Robert McConkey	-Grand Superintendent New Ontario District 15	
R.Ex.Comp. Fred Garvin	-Acting Grand Scribe E.	
R.Ex.Comp. Ed Ounjuin	-Acting Grand Scribe N.	
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Meens	-Grand Principal Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. Edwin Walker	-Acting Grand Senior Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. A.E. John Grove	-Grand Junior Sojourner	
V.Ex.Comp. Peter Andres	-Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies	
R.Ex.Comp. W.B. Walker	-Grand Pursuivant	
Ex.Comp. Patrick McCuaig	-Acting Grand Outer Guard	
Comp. James Ramsey	-Acting Grand Organist	

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 10.20 A.M., when the Grand First Principal announced that a especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of rededicating the Lodge Room, marking the 100th Anniversary of Royal Arch Masonry by St. John's Chapter No. 103. A deputation was called off for the sufficient time for dedication. The Ceremony being performed, the Grand First Principal brought Greetings, gave words of encouragement and support to the Chapter and Grand Chapter retired. Grand Chapter was then called on after thanks, Most Excellent Companion Kline closed in Ample Form at 11.12 A.M. The Companions then joined with Grand Chapter for refreshments and each went to his home.

Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION

The One Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held at the Toronto Airport Marriot Hotel, Rexdale, Ontario, on April 14th, 15th & 16th, 1992.

M. Ex. Comp. Donald F.Kline Grand Z
R. Ex. Comp. G. Robert Jackson Grand H
R. Ex. Comp. Alan F. Walker Grand J

PAST GRAND Z's

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett
M. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent
M. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule
M. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott
M. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe
M. Ex. Comp. Dr Fraser Hay
M. Ex. Comp. Wm. S. Thomsón
M. Ex. Comp. Aube L Weisman
M. Ex. Comp. Gordon Sproule
M. Ex. Comp. Albert A. Mortlock
M. Ex. Comp. Leslie Levitt

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED 1991

R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Beverly Leslie	Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. Harold G. Hubbell	Grand Treasurer
M. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe	Grand Scribe E
R. Ex. Comp. Robert T. Rigby	Grand Scribe E. Emeritus
R. Ex. Comp. Robert Meens	Grand Scribe N
R. Ex. Comp. J. A. Dale Plant	Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Morley Brown	Grand Registrar
R. Ex. Comp. Basil S. Fowler	Grand Historian
R. Ex. Comp. William Hoffman	Grand Archivist

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – HONOURARY

Rt. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie
Rt. Ex. Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie
Rt. Ex.Comp. Lloyd J.Laushway
Rt. Ex.Comp. R.Frank Russell
Rt. Ex. Comp. William B. Walker

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – ELECTED (1990)

R. Ex. Comp. C. Gordon Sinclair
R. Ex. Comp. L. Ian Montague
R. Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gent
R. Ex. Comp. Verne E. Young
R. Ex. Comp. Gilbert G. Fowlow

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – ELECTED (1991)

R. Ex. Comp. William Klapatiuk
R. Ex. Comp. David A.Rogers
R. Ex. Comp. Peter Matije
R. Ex. Comp Edward Ounjian
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Garvin

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – (APPOINTED 1990)

R. Ex. Comp. Donald A. King
R. Ex. Comp. Harry D. Turner

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – (APPOINTED 1991)

R. Ex. Comp. E. David Warren
Ex. Comp. W. ArthurCheetham

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS 1991-1992

St. Clair District	No. 1	Rt. Ex. Comp. Henry C. Coomer
London District	No. 2	Rt. Ex. Comp. Frank A. Standring
Wilson District	No. 3	Rt. Ex. Comp. Eric A. Luke
Wellington District	No. 4	Rt. Ex. Comp. James Bowman
Hamilton District	No. 5	Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert Norsworthy
Huron District	No. 6	Rt. Ex. Comp. Dan Traquair
Niagara District	No. 7	Rt. Ex. Comp. Vaughan W. Wilson
Toronto District	No. 8	Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles Meldrum
Toronto District	No.8A	Rt. Ex. Comp. Roy Doherty
Georgian District	No. 9	Rt. Ex. Comp. Thomas L. Bennett
Ontario District	No.10	Rt. Ex. Comp. Paul Kaltwasser
Prince Edward District	No.11	Rt. Ex. Comp. Ormond E. Reid
St. Lawrence District	No.12	Rt. Ex. Comp. William Holton
Ottawa District	No.13	Rt. Ex. Comp. Mel R. Rodgers
Algoma District	No.14	Rt. Ex. Comp. Ross W. Booth
New Ontario District	No.15	Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert D. McConkey
Temiskaming District	No.16	Rt. Ex. Camp. Bill Zapotochny

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the one hundred and thirty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in ample form at 9:00 a.m.

The Grand First Principal announced that all Royal Arch Masons in good standing or properly vouched for, would now be welcomed.

After admitting all Companions, the Grand First Principal welcomed all present at the one hundred and thirty-fourth annual convocation.

Distinguished Guests – Introduced by Rt. Ex. Comp. R. Frank Russell

New Brunswick	M.Ex.Comp. Charles H. Webber, G.Z.
Nova Scotia	M.Ex.Comp. Philip J. Obendorf, G.H.P. R.Ex.Comp. Fred C. Morrison, P.G.H.P. M.Ex.Comp. W. Job Parsons, P.G.H.P.
Quebec	M.Ex.Comp. James Y. Scallon, G.Z M.Ex.Comp. Ernest J. Cassidy, P.G.Z. M.Ex.Comp. Victor A. Shamy, P.G.Z. M.Ex.Comp. Jean-Paul Merineau, P.G.Z.
District of Columbia	M.Ex.Comp. Scott M. Applebee, P.G.H.P. M.Ex.Comp. Harold L. Applebee, P.G.P.S.

Ilinois	R.Ex.Comp. Donald J. Saterlee, D.D.G.H.P. Representing G.H.P. C. E. Hielman
Maine	M.Ex.Comp. Douglas B. Taylor, G.H.P.
Massachusetts	M.Ex.Comp. Ralph B. Duncan, P.G.H.P
Michigan	M.Ex.Comp. Gorden B. Ruthruff, G.H.P.
New Hampshire	M.Ex.Comp. James S. Spence, G.H.P.
New York	M.Ex.Comp. A. Sainz, G.H.P. M.Ex.Comp. Earl Heino, P.G.H.P. R.Ex.Comp. Dale G. Rae, G.K. R.Ex.Comp. Edward R. Trosin, D.G.H.P.
Ohio	R.Ex.Comp. Jerry C. Crawford, G.Scribe
Rhode Island	M.Ex.Comp. Walter C. McFarland, G.H.P.
Vermont	M.Ex.Comp. Clyde T. Reynolds, G.H.P
Virginia	M.Ex.Comp. James W. Smith, G.H.P.
General Grand Chapter	M.Ex.Comp. Walter C. Winchester, P.G.G.H.P. R.Ex.Comp. Ernest E. Smith, G.G. Pr. Soj. R.Ex.Comp. Rev. Donald Markham, G.G. Chaplain
High Priesthood	M.Ex.Comp. Clifford Meunier, Grand President
Grand Council R.& S. Masters	M.Ill.Comp. Allan McGuire, Grand Master R.Ill.Comp. James Scuck, Dep. Grand Master R.Ill.Comp. Allan Cadwallader, G.C. of C.
Sov. Great Priory	M.Em.Kt. David Turner, Supreme Gr. Master
Gr. Imp. Conclave	M.Ill.Kt.Comp. Bert Menni, Grand Sovereign
A.& A.S.R.	Ill.Bro.John V. Lawer 33*, Sov. Gr. Commander
Grand Lodge AF & AM	M.Wor. Norman E. Byron, Grand Master

The Grand First Principal greeted the distinguished guests individually as they were presented, and welcomed them warmly. They were then escorted to their seats by the Grand 2nd & 3rd Principals.

Grand Honours were accorded the Guests led by the Director of Ceremonies. M.Wor. Bro. Norman E. Byrne, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A.F & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, was presented in the west where he was formally and warmly received by the First Principal. Following Grand Honors he was escorted to his seat on the dais by the Grand First Principal.

FLAG CEREMONY AND ANTHEMS

The flags of Canada and the United States were presented at the altar and placed in the East, following which the National Anthems of both Countries were sung.

The Grand First Principal called on the Grand Chaplain for the invocation.

INVOCATION BY THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Oh Thou, Great Jehovah, who has granted us both the Spirit and the Word, grant also now thy blessing upon all who are assembled here, to secure the Keystone on the one hundred and thirty-fourth year of service in this Jurisdiction. Let us with thy Holy Spirit, Oh Thou Great Jehovah, in our reflections, deliberations and discussions grant us the wisdom that was with you in the beginning, with your presence here to-day. Grant peace to those who complete a successful year of labour and strong faith and hope to those who begin their service in a new one. Guide all present with devotion and in growing enthusiasm, that by planning and decision we raise the Holy Arch to thy Holy Name. AMEN.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

This is a Memorial Service in which we pay a tribute of respect and affection to our Fraternal Dead. We remember some 361 of our Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter above. Of these 20 Companions held Grand Rank.

We request that the names of all these Companions be respectfully recorded.

Hymn: Abide With Me

Prayer of Invocation: O Great Jehovah, the same yesterday, today, and forever, we commit unto Thee the loving memory of these, our Companions, who having walked the earth in charity, now come to Thee for peace. Amen.

The living of the teachings of the Volume of the Sacred Law brings us to Jehovah. There is no other worthy goal in life. Let me try to humbly express our struggle and or hope in memory of those who have gone before.

Here I sit with pen to write About the dead in deep of night – To write, the quiet muse has said, But in reflecting down death's hall, Ecclesiastes say it all.

The weeping and wailing in widow's weeds:
the half-sad smiles of the inheritors deeds:
Planting in boxes these painted seeds,
Having forgotten their honest deeds –

Here we lower in the grave
The remnants of this earthly slave,
Who earnestly sought to rise and fly
On winged charity through the sky.

When he'd see wrong, with all his might,
He honestly tried to set it right
With quiet work and secret deeds
That fulfilled another person's needs.

He faithfully fought these holy fights
Through all his days with prayer filled nights.
For eighty years he sincerely tried,
But flinally he tired and died.

Leaving his family in lonely pain,
They continue to build their lives again.
But he goes on to eternal light,
Like a Gideon in the night.

He goes to meet his judgement hour,
The sword of charity his constant power,
To stand and cry with this holy sword,
"Holiness unto the Lord!"

And so to hear, "You've done your best.
Crossover and enter now into my rest.
Come, now, Companion, so hearty and true;
I have a mansion all ready for you."

Ecclesiastes 12:1,7: "Remember, now, thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.' Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it."

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee,
Rt. Ex. Comp. the Rev. B. E. Leslie.

Hear now the names of those from the year past who have gone on befor:

FRATERNAL DEAD 1991-92

1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	Rt.Ex.Comp. Ralph Laverne Gostlin
5	St. Georges	Rt.Ex.Comp. Malcolm McRae
18	Oxford	Rt.Ex.Comp. Sir George Llewellyn Nutt
31	Prince Edward	Rt.Ex.Comp. Charles Goodwin
41	Harris	Rt.Ex.Comp. Benjamin George Sheldon
53	Petrolia	Rt.Ex.Comp. George Holton Downer
66	Malloch	Rt.Ex.Comp. John Allen Hamilton
67	Enterprise	V.Ex.Comp. Forest Arnold Inch
73	Erie	Rt.Ex.Comp. Alexander Fleming Dick
79	Orient	V.Ex.Comp. Alwyn Mills
81	Alymer	V.Ex.Comp. John Burton
83	Ionic	V.Ex.Comp. William Elgin Watson

104	White Oak	Rt.Ex.Comp. Sterling Amos
135	Succoth	V.Ex.Comp. Veitch Matthew
138	Shekinah	V.Ex.Comp. David Gillenan
140	Fort William	V.Ex.Comp. George H. S. Iddon
175	Hamilton	V.Ex.Comp. Gerald Hubert R. Crawshaw
198	Couchiching	Rt.Ex.Comp. William Lorne Corlett
213	Northern Lights	Rt.Ex.Comp. Eldon Ramsay MacElwee
224	Keystone	Rt.Ex.Comp. George Benjamin Cowman

FRATERNAL DEAD, SISTER JURISDICTIONS

Alberta	M.Ex.Comp. Jack Dawson Lee, G.F.P. 1981 M.Ex.Comp. George Grieve, G.F.P. 1954 M.Ex.Comp. Charles Murray Laverty, G.F.P. 1959
British Comumbia & the Yukon	M.Ex.Comp. Henry Milton Dayton, G.F.P. 1977-78
Louisiana	M.Ex.Comp. Richard A. Tharp, G.H.P. 1975 M.Ex.Comp. Willie F. Fell, G.H.P. 1981
Michigan	Rt.Ex.Comp. Nils Jay Larson, G.P.S. 1991
Ohio	M.Ex.Comp. Dr. Charles A. Fly Jr., G.H.P.1972-73
Pennsylvania	M.Ex.Comp. Robert M. Ewans, G.H.P. 1971-72

GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

The Grand First Principal, Donald F. Kline, extended an invitation to our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Norman E. Byrne to address the assembled companions.

Most Excellent Companion, Donald Kline, Grand Lodge Officers, distinguished guests and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in Ontario.

I am indeed delighted to be here with you all at your Annual Convocation of Royal Arch Masononry in 1992 here in Ontario.

Everwhere I go I find Masons happily enjoying the privilege of brotherhood, of being active in their Lodges, active in their communities and active in their families. Masonry in Ontario has adopted a new look in recent years, one of openness and somewhat less formal and yet remaining dignified in its ritual, its ceremonies and in its meetings.

Secrecy is no longer a major concern among active Masons and indeed our young men are becoming even more active in our Lodges. Our Masonic family is expanding and each Mason's responsibility to his family and to his communilty is our prime concern. Charitable and benevolent work is ongoing. It is being expanded into every community. It is our goal that a Mason's charity shall become a by-word in society.

Yet Masonry today is facing a challenge as a fraternal organization. We as Masons are being attacked on several fronts by the unfounded accusations and untrue allegations of reli-

gious zealots whose minds have already been made up that Masonry is generally anti-Christian and indeed probably some form of relilgious cult that should be avoided by Christians.

The question associated with these religious zealots has caused Masonry much concern and in some instances has made a Mason almost choose between the craft and his Church. There is a challenge pertaining to our fraternlity of being against our government's statutes involving any form of discrimination and yet it is necessary as men are selected for membership in our great Order, we must be ever vigilent to guard the portals of Masonry against those who are only idly curious and have no deep seated desire to become part of our beloved Order.

Yes, the challenges are facing us each day as we continue to make masonry more visible in the community. However, we can take comfort and deep pride that our great fundamental principals and tenets have stood the test of time over generations and continue to guide our craft and those who march under its banner and will continue to guard and maintain those principales until time shall be no more.

Our brotherhood around the world may bend against the forces of adversity and yet I know our beloved Order will overcome all difficulties, raise ignorance from dispair and establish happiness among its adherents and those who support them. Most Excellent Sir, we acknowledge the great leadership you have given to Royal Arch during your term of office, great dedication and abundant energy and we congratulate you on a most excellent term as Grand First Principal.

We thank you for your dedication, your enthusiasm, your warm friendship and your most generous hospitality. As Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, I acknowledge the brotherhood that exists between our two great Masonic bodies. May the heavens continue to bring us together in harmony, with friendship and brotherly love in great abundance.

To you Most Excellent Sir, the Grand First Principal of the Grand CHapter, I extend my personal and sincere thanks for your very fine hospitality that you have extended to your Grand Master and to my wife Nancy, It is indeed very much appreciated.

Thank you Most Excellent Sir and Companions.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

M.Ex.Comps:

Charles W. Emmett, Dr. Fraser Hay, Leo J. Gent, William S. Thomson, William H. Sproule, Aube L. Weisman, Gordon H. Stuart, Edward W. Elcombe, Albert A. Mortlock, Leslie Levitt.

The Grand First Principal, M.Ex.Comp. Donald Kline made the following remarks:

Most Excellent Past Grand First Principals, it is indeed a pleasure for me to extend to each of you the heartiest of greetings of this Grand Chapter. During the past year I have personally appreciated your wise counsel and your able assistance. You have continued to serve this Grand Chapter as Chairmen or advisors of various Committees and in a variety of ways.

I appreciated your committed dedication, and I am sure that every Companion present in this room joins with me in acknowledging the devotion you are rendering to this Grand Chapter and Royal Arch Masonry.

The Grand D.O.C. then led the assembly in Grand Honours.

M.Ex.Comp. Charles W. Emmett expressed his pleasure on replying for and on behalf of the "Elder Statesmen" and voiced his regret that M.Ex.Comp. Fred Scott was unable to be with us.

THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME

The 134th. Grand Chapter Convocation
Toronto Airport Marriot Hotel, Rexdale, Ontario,
April 14th., 15th., and 16th.

M. Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline, The Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, Rt.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson, Grand Second Principal, Rt.Ex.Comp. Allan F. Walker, Grand Third Principal, Most Worshipfull Bro. Norman E. Byrne, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, distinguished guests from sister jurisdictions, concordant bodies and Companions.

On behalf of the Chapters and Companions of Toronto Districts #8 and #8A, it is my honour and pleasure to extend to you a warm and sincere welcome to this our 134th Annual Convocation.

Rt.Ex.Comp. Roy Doherty Grand Superintendent of Toronto District #8A and myself as Grand Superintendent of Toronto District #8 sincerely hope that you have an enjoyable stay with us and that we all find profit and pleasure from our deliberations. To our Companions from sister jurisdictions who have travelled from afar, at the conclusion of our Grand Convocation have a safe journey home, with fond memories, old acquaintances renewed and new fellowships made. May the hospitality of our Districts and our City have left you with the warmth, friendship and Companionship which we always endeavour to maintain and that you will wish to return to future Convocations in our City and Province.

R.Ex.Comp. Charles Meldrum
Grand Superintendent
Toronto District #8

R.Ex.Comp. Roy Doherty
Grand Superintendent
Toronto District #8A

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was moved by R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker that, as the proceedings of the last Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held in Niagara Falls on Friday and Saturday, the 19th. and 20th. of April 1991, have been printed and copies sent to all Chapters in the Jurisdiction, the recorded minutes be considered as read, and the same now be confirmed. Carried.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was moved by R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. Alan F. Walker, that the order of business be changed at the discretion of the Grand First Principal. Carried.

(a) It was moved by R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker, that V.Ex.Comp Percy Emslie be Chairman of the Credentials Committee, with power to form his own Committee as approved by the Grand Z. Carried.

(b) That V.Ex.Comp. Percy Emslie be Chairman of the Scrutineers Committee with power to form his own committee with assistance from the Credentials Committee, as approved by the Grand Z. Carried.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent Grand Z. asked the Grand Scribe E. to call the roll of Representatives near our Grand Body of Sister Jurisdictions, and ask them to answer the call and assemble on the North and South sides.

COUNTRY OR JURISDICTION	REPRESENTATIVE
Australia	W. Arthur Cheetham
Alabama	Verne E. Young
Alberta	Albert A. Mortlock
Arkansas	Frank L. Barrett
British Columbia	Allan H. McGuire
Colorado	Bert A. Mennie
Connecticut	Clarence A. Faulkner
Delaware	R. Frank Russell
Dist. of Columbia	Alan F. Walker
Finland	Aage Bjerknes
Georgia	Fred Garvin
Germany	William H. Sproule
Idaho	Joseph Hessey
Illinois	Melvin Duke
Indiana	R. Allan Cadwallader
Iowa	L.W. Dixon
Ireland	William J. Boston
Kansas	Ralph Hurst
Kentucky	Chester J. Miller
Louisiana	Edward Carson
Manitoba	Allan A. Foote
Maryland	Leo J. Gent
Massachusetts	Dr. Frazer Hay
Mexico	G. Robert Jackson
Michigan	Gordon H. Stuart
Missouri	Percy MacGregor
Montana	A. A. Watson
Nebraska	William Klapatiuk
Netherlands	Guenther Gahs

COUNTRY OR JURISDICTION	REPRESENTATIVE
Nevada	Gorden T. Ferguson
New Brunswick	Malcolm MacKenzie
New Hampshire	Percy Barr
New Jersey	Aube Weisman
New South Wales	Edward W. Elcombe
North Carolina	Donald G. Emerick
Ohio	Clifford J. Meunier
Oaklahoma	Keith L. Bellamy
Pennsylvania	Wilson Anderson
Philippines	David C. Hill
Quebec	Charles W. Emmett
Queensland	Gilbert G. Fowlow
Scotland	W. S. Thomson
South Africa	Leslie Levitt
Tennessee	G.D. Hotham
Utah	L. B. Gillespie
Vermont	N. Farrington
Victoria (Australia)	Harold G. Hubbell
West Virginia	Ian Montague
Wisconsin	D. F. Kline
Wyoming	Angus McDonald

WELCOME BY THE GRAND Z

To you Most Excellent, Right Excellent and Very Excellent Companions, it is a pleasure to extend a most warm welcome.In the Grand Representative system you have a very important duty in establishing and maintaining good fraternal relations of this Grand Chapter and the Grand Chapter from whom you received your commission.

I thank you most sincerely for carrying out those duties with zeal, and I congratulate each of you on your dedication to Royal Arch Masonry.

I request our Grand Director of Ceremonies to lead us in extending Grand Honours to the Grand Representatives.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS 1991

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Three applications have been presented during the past Masonic year for the Distinguished Service Award and your committee agrees that they all to possess the necessary qualifications, and therefore recommend to the Grand First Principal that this honour be awarded to the following.

(1) Companion John Irwin Hitsman, of Ottawa Chapter
(2) Companion John Henry, of Palestine Chapter No. 54
(3) Companion Robert J. W. Pring of Palestine Chapter No. 249

Sincerely and fraternally submitted.
M.Ex.Comp. William H. Sproule
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W. Elcombe
M.Ex.Comp. Frederick Scott (Chairman)

It was moved by M. Ex. Comp. Frederick Scott, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. William H. Sproule that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Most Excellent The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

My Companions;

It is both a pleasure and honour to welcome each of you to this, the One Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Grand Convocation of this Grand Chapter. Let us give thanks to the Great Jehovah for guiding us through another year in the history of our Grand Chapter. May we meet in full harmony and good fellowship, and part knowing that our efforts have been for the good of the order.

We are pleased to assemble again in the Metropolitan area, after an absence of four years. To the Toronto Districts of No. 8 and No. 8A, I extend a genuine thank you for hosting this convocation.

To R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn Duke. the General Chairman, and all members of his various committees, we extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for your efforts in arranging and providing such fine accomodation for our enjoyment. Your labours will make this another memorable convocation.

We welcome our distinguished guests from sister jurisdictions within Canada and the United States of America. You honour this Grand Chapter by your attendance.

To the Official Representatives of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, the Royal and Select Masters of Ontario, the Red Cross of Constantine, the Order of the High Priest-Hood, we are indeed pleased to welcome you.

To the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council 33 Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, a special welcome. The hands of warm fraternal friendship continue to draw all Masonic bodies closer together in working to strengthen our great Masonic family.

It is with particular joy and honour I welcome the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, M.W. Bro. Norman E. Byrne. I assure our Grand Mster, and the Grand Lodge of our continuing pledge of loyality and allegiance, and express our appreciation and congratulations for the outstanding contribution our Grand Master is making to Freemasonry.

May the Great I Am watch over and guide you as you continue your labours in the Quarries of Freemasonry, not only in our jurisdiction but where ever you may travel.

We trust your stay with us be most pleasant, rewarding and an enjoyable memory.

Necrology:

Today we pause to honour and pay homage to those Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter this past year. Their dedication, friendship and commitment to our fraternily will always be cherished.

It is with sadness that we record the passing of Most Worshipful Brother Bruce Foster, a Past Grand Master of our Grand Lodge and Past Grand Superintendent, in 1940, of St. Clair District No. 1.

We also suffered a great loss with the passing of V.Ex.Comp. David Gillelan, the Editor of the Keystone, His contribution to this Grand Chapter will remind each of us of his dedication and belief in Freemasonry.

We join with Sister Grand Jurisdictions in mourning the loss of many Distinguished Companions, and share their grief and sorrow.

Our Grand Chaplain, Right Excellent Companion Beverly E. Leslie has prepared a most fitting Memorial Service in their memory.

To the families of these departed Companions, we express our deepest sympathy.

"HE WHO SERVES HIS BROTHER BEST
GETS NEARER TO GOD THAN ALL THE REST"

Past Rank:

I have received a request from Lebanon Chapter No. 220, Etobicoke to consider granting Past Rank to Excellent Companion Roy Watson. Excellent Companion Watson has served Lebanon Chapter skilfully over many years and advanced to Second Principal, which duties he fulfilled with distinction. However due to age, failing health and the amalgamation of Lebanon Chapter No. 220 and Ulster Chapter No. 219, he felt it better to have a younger and healthier Companion assume the Office of First Principal. Ex. Comp. Watson has always put his Chapter first and is held in high esteem by its Officers and Members.

I have also received a request from Keystone Chapter No. 224, Hamilton requesting Past Rank for Companion Reverend Dr. Aaron R. Orr. Companion Orr is recognized as a dedicated Royal Arch Mason, not only is his own Chapter, where he is Scribe Ezra, but also in Hamilton District 5 where he has served as District Chaplain. He is highly involved in his Community and other Masonic bodies.

I am privileged to recommend that these requests be accepted, and that the rank of Past First Principal be conferred upon these devoted Companions.

Grand Representatives:

At our One Hundred and Thirty Third Convocation, in Niagara Falls, I was pleased to witness forty three Grand Representatives answer the roll call. The dedication of these Companions to our Grand Chapter was evident by their attendance. Their efforts are noteworthy of our appreciation.

I was most pleased to recommend and confirm the appointment of the following Grand Representatives:

Alabama	Rt.Ex.Comp. Verne E. Young
British Columbia	Rt.Ex.Comp. C. Allan McGuire
Georgia	Rt.Ex.Comp. Frederick Garvin
Illinois	Rt.Ex.Comp. Melvin J. Duke
Nebraska	Rt.Ex.Comp. William Kladatiuk
North Carolina	Rt.Ex.Comp. Donald J. Emerick
Victoria	Rt.Ex.Comp. Harold Hubbell

I have been pleased to approve the necessary commissions for the following vacancies occurring in our Representatives near Sister Jurisdictions:

Germany	Comp. Donald Wolf
Idaho	Comp. Henry Dahlquist
Ireland	V. Ex.Comp. Michael J. Byers
Queensland	Rt.Ex.Comp. B.F. Miller

The duties of Grand Representatives are important as they not only fulfil the purpose of representing Sister Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Chapter, but reflect the character and reputation of our Grand Chapter when communicating or visiting Grand Chapters from which they receive their credentials.

It is important to improve the relationships between Sister Grand Chapters. I certainly join with my predecessors in advocating that Grand Representatives be properly acknowledged when attending Chapter.

Grand Superintendents:

The Grand Superintendents are the choice of the Companions of each District. As the personal representative of the Grand First Principal, is said that they are his eyes and ears within their district.

May I convey my true thanks and gratitude to these dedicated and distinguished Companions, for their unselfish commitment in performing the duties of their high and important office.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU goes to those of you who have gone that extra mile in support of this Grand First Principal. Your friendships will always be treasured.

Benevolence:

Our Grand Chapter continues to assist those less fortunate that we. Their need is greater today than for many years past and I thank the members of the Benevolence Committee, under the Chairmanship of V.Ex.Comp. Lyle James, for the quiet manner in which you render this service. Remember Companions, each of us is not over looked. Many times Companions are too embarrassed to admit that they may need help, never forget that a deceased Companions family may need our assistance.

Bursary:

Your added support of this worthy cause is a joy to this Grand First Principal and expresses a Masons commitment in assisting worthy students in need. Those who received these bursaries are most appreciative and if any of you have the opportunity to be present, or attend at the presentation of a bursary, please do so and witness the expression of gratefulness by the recipients.

We received forty four requests for assistance this past year, and awarded thirty-six bursaries. To R.Ex.Comp. Earl Grey, Chairman and the Committee members I extend our gratitude. Companions, please give your continued full support to our Bursary Fund in the coming years. We as Masons have no better way to build the foundation of our country, than by assistilng with the education of our young people.

Release A Miracle Fund:

Your efforts and those of the committee members, continue to increase the Capital Fund. Our donations to worthy researchers continue to bring praise to you my Companions, and to our Grand Chapter.

On behalf of this Grand Chapter I personally extend our appreciation to the Chairman, Rt.Ex.Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie, and his committee, as well as all of the District and Chapter Committees for a continuing job well done. Listen closely to the details in this Committees Annual Report as it is presented later.

Welfare:

Once again I wish to commend the wonderful work of our Companions, Chapters and Districts in their support of social welfare. Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Mt. Sinai Chapter No. 212, Wawanosh Chapter No. 15, Kirkland Chapter No. 215 and others continue their outstanding committments within thier own communities.

The Welfare Committee of Toronto Districts 8 and 8A have once again supported the sheltered houses for battered women and their children, and a number of mens hostels. They also donated $5,000.00 to the Childrens Wish Foundation which is involved in granting terminally ill children a very personal and special wish.

I commend all Companions throughout this Jurisdiction for assisting those in need. THANK YOU.

Dispenstions:

During the past year 118 dispensations were granted.The majority of which for the changing of time or date of a meeting and social or ladies events. Only a few requests were received to advance officers, but again we have seen an increase in the requests to host Master Mason Nights.

The Chapters that plan these evenings skilfully, certainly produced and received the rewards, with applications for membership. I encourage each Chapter to give careful consideration to this when developing their Trestle Board for the coming year.

The Public Relations Committee, chaired by Rt.Ex.Comp. Frank Russelll, are available and willing to assist in these evenings. I would be remiss if I did not thank the members of this committee for their efforts. Remember Companions,the Rewards are Great – "NEW MEMBERS."

Amalgamation:

I am pleased to report there were five amalgamations of Chapters this past year.

On September 7, 1991 the Ceremony of Amalgamation was conducted at the Annette Street Masonic Building, Toronto joining Shekinah Chapter No. 138 and Humber Chapter No. 246, to be known as Shekina Chapter No. 138.

On September 28, 1991 St. Albans Chapter No. 217 and The St. Clair Chapter No. 231 amalgamated at Thorhill and are known as St. Albans Chapter No. 217. This amalgamation crossed Districts as The St. Clair Chapter was in Toronto District 8A and St. Albans in Toronto District 8.

On October 18, 1991 we journeyed to Carleton Place for the amalgamation of Granite Chapter No. 61 and Maple Chapter No. 116, as Maple-Granite Chapter No. 61. Ninety-six years ago Maple Chapter was started by members of Granite Chapter.

November 20, 1991, formalized the joining of Ulster Chapter No. 219 with my own Chapter, Lebanon No. 220 which took place in Etobicoke and is now known as Lebanon Chapter No. 220.

February 15, 1992 saw the amalgamation in Windsor of Prince of Wales Chapter No. 71, Ark Chapter No. 80 and Thomas Peters Chapter No. 250 and are now known as Windsor Chapter No. 71.

Each of these ceremonies were attended by Companions of the Chapters and Grand Chapter. Positive feelings were evident and are still running high. We wish each of these Chapters every success and will watch with personal interest the overall results.

Companions, there are a number of Chapters who should consider amalgamation, a strong Chapter will better serve Royal Arch Masonry and Masonry in general.

Remember "AMALGAMATION IS POSITIVE NOT NEGATIVE."

Masonic Protocol:

I am pleased to report that on most of my visits through out our Grand Jurisdiction, proper protocol was evident. The courtesies extended to me were sincere and much appreciated.

I thank the Companions for heeding the message regarding attending District meetings, where they are not members, on the occasions of the election of the Grand Superintendent.
I extend my congratulations to all of the new Scribes Ezra for fulfilling the duties of their important office.

I again draw to the attention of all First Principals, the need to ensure that the correct spelling and rank of Grand Chapter Officers is correctly printed in their summonses. In anticipation of your actions in this matter, I thank you.

I am pleased with the continuing efforts of many Chapters to improve their summons. Some are including a comment area, others a New Bulletin. I congratulate all Companions who have and continue to work on this undertaking.

The Keystone:

It is with sadness that we record the death of our Editor of the Keystone, V.Ex.Comp. David Gillelan. My the great Jehovah watch over and comfort his family. Companions, this loss is shared by all Masonic bodies. The unfortunate death of V.Ex.Comp. Gillelan resulted in the Keystone not being printed this year. We have the names of a few who might consider this most worthwhile duty and would appreciate any volunteers. When an Editor is appointed the Keystone will be reactivated, to again be enjoyed by all.

Remember, continue to send information for publication in the Keystone to our Grand Chapter office.

Presentation of Jewels:

Many dedicated veteran Companions have qualified for Jewels to mark their service to Royal Arch Masonry. Jewels presented this past year were:

1	60 year Bar
1	50 year Past Principal
14	50 year Companion
43	25 year Past Principal

Companions, we all witnessed the presentation of a 50 year Jewel to M.Ex.Comp. Charles W. Emmett today, what committment. Charles, you set an example for us all. May you continue to serve and may the Great Johovah continue to keep you in good health. Yes, you are the true dean of our Grand Chapter.

I had the honour, on a number of occasions to present these jewels personally, and what an honour it is. I know it is unwise to mention names but I will take the chance this once. On June 6, I was present at King Hiram Chapter No. 57 Port Colbourne and had the honour of presenting three Fifty Year Jewels to three bothers, Ex.Comp. E.N. Winn, V.Ex.Comp. A. Winn, and R.Ex.Comp. D. Winn.

These companions continue to be active not only in their Chapter, where all three still hold office, but in their Lodge as well. This occasion was a first in our jurisdiction. "What an accomplishment and what dedication."

I congratulate each of you for your dedication and the inspiration that you charactise to all, who come in contact with you. The names of each of the recipients and their Chapters are appended to this report.

Constitution Review:

We, in this Grand Chapter should be proud of our revised Constitution.

To M.Ex.Comp. Charles W. Emmett, Chairman, Rt.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker, Vice Chairman, Rt.Ex.Comps. Ian Montague, Melvin Duke, Eugene Gerhart and V.Ex.Comp. David Walker again I extend my personal thanks for a job well done.

All members of this committee have spent hundreds of hours between meetings and untold time on four computers to complete this tremendous undertaking in such a short time.

This new Constitution is certainly a huge improvement over the old one. I am sure that each of you will agree with me in extending a "Special Thank You".

Anniversaries:

Many Chapters have celebrated another milestone in the service of Royal Arch Masonry in their Communities, Districts and this Grand Jurisdiction. Of particulare note were the following One Hundred Year Anniversaries:

– Algonquin Chapter No.102, Sault Ste. Marie, June 14-15.
– St. Johns Chapter No. 103, North Bay, September 21.
– White Oak Chapter No. 104, Oakville, October 26.

Each of these Chapter, and thier Committee Members are to be congratulated on the attention to detail and the efforts on arranging excellent banquets including the ladies. I thank the many Grand Chapter Officers who were present at these functions. Your support was much appreciated.

Visitations:

Visits to many Chapters in our Grand Jurisdiction from Dryden in District No. 14 to Carleton Place in District No. 13 to Windsor in District No. 1 and many in between have been an inspiration to this Grand First Principal. I value the many friendships, new and old, the open discussions with Companions, the dedications shown for our Royal Craft and last but not least the generosity and courtesies extended to your Grand First Principal.

I also had the privilege of visiting Sister Jurisdictions. These visits afforded me the opportunity of meeting with many dedicated and distinguished Masons. We in this Grand Chapter have much to be proud of.

The friendships and associations will long be remembered. My wife, Ruth, and I express our sincere gratitude for their wonderful hospitality.

I had the pleasure of representing this Grand Chapter at our Grand Lodge Communication, where I witnessed the installation of our Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Norman E. Byrne and was honoured on being appointed Grand Senior Deacon.

I attended the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario in Chatham, the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in Anaheim California, the Supreme Council 33 Degrees Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in Thunder Bay where I witnessed the installation of V.Ex.Comp. John Lawer as Sovereign Grand Commander. At each of these events I was accorded a most sincere and fraternal welcome with warm hospitality.

To the Companions of Toronto Districts No. 8 and No. 8A and Hamilton District No. 5 my heartfelt thanks for the wonderful receptions hosted by you, in my honour, Ruth and I thank you. Each of these Chapters, and their Committee Members are to be congaratulated on the attention to detail and the efforts on arranging the excellent banquets including the ladies. I thank the many Grand Chapter Officers who were present at these functions. Your Support was much appreciated.

Honours:

During the past year I was honoured to receive Honourary membership in the Grand Chapter of the State of New York Royal Arch Masons. It was also my privilege to be accorded Honourary Past Grand President of the Grand Council of the High Priesthood of Ontario. I treasure these memberships and extend my sincere thank you.

Distinguished Service Awards:

I am honoured to have the pleasure of announcing the names of those Companions who have been recommended to receive the Distinguished Service Award:

Companion John Irvin Hitchman
Companion Paul Henry
Companion Paul Wilson Crane

These Companions are stalwarts of the their Chapters, District and this Grand Chapter where they have and continued to make outstanding contributions. We are indeed proud and pleased to recognize their outstanding service.

I recommend that all Chapters who have now or may hereafter have a Companion be so honoured, that the Chapter list their names and the year they were honoured on their summons. It is our hope that they may continue in good health and wear their jewel with great pride and honour.

Of Special Concern:

I regret to again bring to your attention the grave concern regarding Madoc Chapter No. 161, Madoc Ontario. After attempting to bring this matter to an amicable conclusion, but receiving no support from the Scribe Ezra of the Chapter, I expressed our concern to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. They have, and are assisting us in bringing this situation to resolution.

I am very concerned by the loss of membership through Demit and Suspension. Companions, a number of Chapters have stemmed this loss by a concentrated effort of investigation, and we all must work harder to cut these losses. Your efforts will be rewarded by those who stay as members.

Appreciation:

This report could not and would not be complete without my expression of thanks and appreciation to the Companions who have contributed so much to the success this Grand Chapter has enjoyed in the past two years. These past twenty-four months have been a joy and unquestionably most rewarding for me.

To the Past Grand First Principals, I express my sincere and personal thanks for your guidance, wisdom, support and encouragement given me over the past two years. Even when some did not agree with me they supported your Grand First Principal. Many of their activities are not readily known to the general membership, but I assure you that their devotion continues steadfast and to the best interest of our Grand Chapter.

M.Ex.Comp. Edward W. Elcombe, Grand Scribe Ezra, has again given another year of devoted service in our Grand Chapter Office. This has been accomplished through a computer crash and sickness which kept him out of action for about six weeks. To his wife, Margaret, who pitched in to assist us, my special thanks. I am sure the new forms the Chapters and Districts will be using, will certainly assist in the easy flow of statistics in the future. I extend my sincere thanks.

To Rt.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J. Duke, General Chairman of the Grand Convocation Committee and his committee members, I extend my personal thanks and those of all assembled for a job well done. Your dedication to every detail is undeniably evident.

To all Committee Chairmen and each individual committee member, your dedication in fulfilling your duties is evident. I express my genuine appreciation.

To the Present and Past Grand Chapter Officers, your involvement and commitment to this Grand Chapter is certainly much appreciated. No matter where your First Grand Principal was visiting, many of you were present and I extend a special thank you for this support and encouragement.

We have been fortunate to have a Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec, Most Ecellent Companion, Ernest Cassidy, locate in the Burlington area six years ago. He is an active member of King David Chapter No. 262 and

Hamilton District No. 5. Since arriving in Ontario he has been most supportive of the Grand Chapter and its Officers. I thank him most sincerely for his support during my term of office.

To Signet Chapter No. 34 and Georgian District No. 9 my special thanks for the wonderful regalia. You have my assurance that I will wear it with great pride.

Rt.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson and Rt.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker, members of the Grand Council, have been most supportive and the finest colleagues that a Grand First Principal could have. They are both well skilled and dedicated masons whose commitment to Royal Arch Masonry are well known.

Rt.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson has carried out his duties as President of the Grand Executive in an efficient manner. Soon he will be able to put these attributes to use as your new Grand First Principal.

Rt. Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker has also been an inspiration and most supportive, even in travelling to Thunder Bay and Dryden. Both of these distinguished Companions have represented me on occasions when I was unable to be in attendance. May each of you experience every success in your new office and continue to enjoy good health and the blessing of the Great Johovah.

To my wife, Ruth, who has brough a relaxed feeling of openess and had been by travelling companion on many visitations, I extend my love and thanks. Our lives have been enriched with the memories and the wonderful friendships that have developed.

Conclusion:

Tomorrow, my Companions, I will hand the Sceptre of Office, which I was most honoured to accept two years ago in London to my successor. As I think back many wonderful memories cross my mind. The tremendous support and assistance received from Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers, Committee Chairmen and Committee members, Chapters and all Royal Arch Masons where dispersed over our Grand Jurisdiction. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I have assuredly tried to do my best in fulfilling the duties as the Grand First Principl of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. If I have succeeded in leaving some small positive mark on this Grand Chapter, then I am content, but only history will prove such a accomplishment.

Remember Companions, let the outside world know

"WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO"

Thank you for allowing me the honour and privilege of serving this Grand Chapter. May the Great Jehovah bless you and all with good health and prosperity.

Your sincerely and fraternally
Donald F. Kline, Grand Z.

It was moved by The Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal, that the address of the Grand First Principal be referred to a Committee of Past Grand First Principals for a report thereon at this Annual Convocation. Carried.

GRAND 'Z' ITINEARARY

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Apr. 20	Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario	Niagara Falls
Apr. 29	Master Masons Night Rameses Temple	Toronto
May 5	University Chapter #241 Social	Woodbridge
May 6	Keystone Council R & S. M.	Streetsville
May 8	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
May 9	Shielteil Council R & S. M.	Midland
May 10	Birch Cliff Lodge #612	Scarborough
May 11	Couchiching Chapter #198 Installation & Ladies Night	Orillia
May 13	Brampton Chapter #265 Installation	Brampton
May 14	Signet Chapter Installation	Barrie
May 16-18	Grand Chapter of Connecticut	Weathersfield, Conn.
May 22	Manitou Chapter #27	Collingwood
May 24-25	Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters	Chatham
May 27	King Solomon's Chapter #8 Installation	Markham
May 28	King David Chapter #262	Burlington
Jun. 6	Hiram Chapter #57 Presentation 3 – 50 year Jewels	Port Colbourne
Jun. 8	Brampton Temple Dedication	Brampton
Jun. 8	The St. Clair Chapter #23 Steak Fry	Richmond Hill
Jun. 10-11	Grand Chapter of Vermont	Burlington Vermont
Jun. 12	The St. Clair Chapter #231	Richmond Hill
Jun. 14-15	Algonquin Chapter #102 100th Anniversary Presentation	Sault Ste. Marie
Jun. 18	The St. Patrick's Chapter #145 50 year Past Principals Jewel	Newmarket
Jun. 19	Lebanon Chapter #220 Strawberry Night	Etobicoke
Jun. 24	Centennial Chapter #260 Strawberry Night	Streetsville
Jul. 16-18	Grand Lodge of Canada	Toronto
Aug. 1-4	York Rite Sovereign College	Annehiem, Calif.
Aug. 14	Kichekawana Chapter #167 Steak Fry	Midland
Sept. 3	Mt. Sinai #212 Installation	Richmond Hill
Sept. 7	Shekinah #138 & Humber Chapter #246 Amalgamation	Toronto
Sept. 9	Keystone Chapter #35	Whitby
Sept.12-14	Supreme Council AASR	Thunder Bay
Sept.14	Grand Council Visit Zohar #19	Thunder Bay
Sept.16	Golden Star Chapter #254	Dryden
Sept.18	Lebanon Chapter #220	Etobicoke
Sept.21	St. John's Chapter #103 100th Anniversary	North Bay
Sept.22	Nilestown Chapter #247 Dedicating Nilestown Masonic Memorial Park	Nilestown
Sept.23	Centennial Chapter #260 Installation	Streetsville
Sept.24	Port Credit Chapter #230	Port Credit
Sept.25	Ulster Chapter #214	Weston

Sept.27	Georgina Lodge #343 Reception for Grand Jr. Warden	Toronto
Sept.28	St. Clair Chapter #231 & St. Albans #217 Amalgamation	Thornhill
Sept.30	Toronto Districts 8 & 8A Principals Association	Toronto
Oct. 4	Scottish Rite Reception for John Lawer	Toronto
Oct. 7	Keystone Councill #20 R.& S.M.	Streetsville
Oct. 9	Couchiching Chapter #198 Presentation	Orillia
Oct. 11	Birch Cliffe Lodge #612 Investiture as Grand Sr. Deacon	Scarborough
Oct. 16	Lebsnon Chapter #220	Etobicoke
Oct. 18	Granite Chapter #61 & Maple Chapter #116 Amalgamation	Carleton Place
Oct. 19	Rameses Temple Potantates Ball	Toronto
Oct. 20	Toronto Districts 8 & 8A Church Service	Toronto
Oct. 21	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Oct. 24	Hiawatha Chapter #252	Sarnia
Oct. 26	White Oak Chapter #104 100th Anniversary & Ladies Night	Oakville
Oct. 28	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Oct. 30	Grand Advisory Meeting – Grand Chapter	Toronto
Nov. 2	Grand Executive Meeting	Brampton
Nov. 7-10	Grand Chapter of Virginia	Williamsburg, VA
Nov. 20	Lebanon Chapter #220 & Ulster Chapter #219 Amalgamation	Etibocoke
Nov. 22	St. Albans Chapter #217 Installation	Thornhill
Nov. 23	Hamilton Principals Association Reception	Hamilton
Nov. 26	Convocation Meeting Marriot Hotel	Rexdale
Nov. 26	Constitutuinal Review Committee Meeting	Barrie
Nov. 27	Orient Chapter #79 Installation	Toronto
Nov. 30	Convocation Meeting	Etobicoke
Nov. 30	Holy Trinity Conclave #34 Installation	Etobicoke
Nov. 30	Toronto District 8 & 8A Reception	Toronto
Dec. 3	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Dec. 4	Victoria Chapter #205 Installation	Thornhill
Dec. 7	Toronto District Welfare Presentation	Ajax
Dec. 7	Succoth Chapter #136 Ladies Night	Uxbridge
Dec. 10	St. Andrew's Lodge #16 Installation	Toronto
Dec. 11	Lebanon Chapter #220 Elect. of Officers	Etobicoke
Dec. 12	St.John's Chapter #6 Installation	Hamilton
Dec. 13	Birch Cliff Lodge #612 Installation	Scarborough
Dec. 18	Lebanon Chapter #220	Etobicoke

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Jan. 1	Rameses Temple Potentate's Levee	Toronto
Jan. 4	Peel Chapter #195 Installation and Ladies' Night	Brampton
Jan. 6	Caledonia Lodge #249	Midland
Jan. 7	Pentalpha Chapter #28 Installation	Oshawa
Jan. 9	Tuscan Lodge #99 Installation	Newmarket
Jan. 10	Victoria Chapter #37 Installation	Port Hope
Jan. 15	Lebanon Chapter #220 Installation	Etobicoke

Jan. 18	Constitution Meeting	Toronto
Jan. 20	Palestine Chapter #249 Installation	Bowmanville
Jan. 20	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Jan. 21	Oakwood Chapter #233 Presentation	Markham
Jan. 23	Grand Advisory Meeting	Toronto
Jan. 25	Convocation Meeting	Toronto
Jan. 25	Lebanon Chapter #220 Burns Night	Etobicoke
Jan. 27	Aurora Chapter #235 Installation	Aurora
Jan. 28	Port Credit Chapter #230 Installation	Port Credit
Jan. 29	Toronto Principal's Association Annual Meeting	Toronto
Jan. 30	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Feb.15	Prince of Wales Chapter #71, Ark Chapter #80 and Thomas Peters Chapter #250 Amalgamation	Windsor
Feb. 18	The St. Patrick's Chapter #145	Newmarket
Feb. 19	Lebanon Chapter #220	Etobicoke
Feb. 22	Holy Trinity Conclave #34	Etobicoke
Feb. 24	King Solomon's Chapter #8	Markham
Feb. 26	Amalgamation Meeting	Toronto
Feb. 27	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Feb. 29	Holy Trinity Conclave #34	Etobicoke
Mar. 2	St. Andrew & St. John Chapter #4	Toronto
Mar. 2	St. John's Lodge #75 135th Anniversary	Toronto
Mar. 3	University Chapter # 241	Thornhill
Mar. 5-7	Grand Chapter of New York	Albany, N.Y.
Mar. 9	Brampton Chapter #265	Brampton
Mar. 10	Signet Chapter #34 Reception	Barrie
Mar. 11	University Lodge #496 Grand Masters Reception	Toronto
Mar. 12	Grand Chapter Office	Toronto
Mar. 14	Toronto District 8A Annual Meeting	Woodbridge
Mar. 18	King Cyrus Chapter #232	Toronto
Mar. 25	Coronation Lodge #466 Installation	Elmvale
Mar. 27	Reception for Grand Master Hamilton Districts	Hamilton
Apr. 4	Convocation Meeting Marriot Hotel	Rexdale
Apr. 6	Keystone Council R & S. M. Installation	Streetsville
Apr. 7	Peel Chapter #195	Brampton
Apr. 8	Convocation Meeting Marriot Hotel	Rexdale
Apr. 11	Holy Trinity Conclave #34	Etobicoke
Apr. 14-16	Grand Chapter – Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario	Rexdale

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE E

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

As Your Grand Scribe E., I am once more pleased to report conditions of Royal Arch Masonry as far as they pertain to Grand Chapter Office. There have been problems over the year, both mechanical and physical, but I am pleased to say that once again order prevails.

The Financial records are current and are in excellent condition.

During the past year we have had numberous new Scribes E. in our constituent Chapters. These Companions have assumed a very vital roll in their particular Chapter and have approached it in a very positive manner. I must commend them for their cooperation and enthusiasm with which they have entered into their new duties, which has been a great assist to your Grand Scribe E.

We do have areas of concern in our Grand Chapter Office. We have a number of Chapters who wait until they submit their annual report at year end to registers joining member with Grand Chapter, who in many cases were admitted into the Chapter early in the year. Your prompt attention to the immediate notification of registrations, deaths, demits and suspensions within the Chapter, will enable your Grand Scribe E to the Grand Chapter records current and complete at all times. Some reports were incomplete and did not include the list of officers of the Chapters, thus placing an undue burden, not only on the office but on the Registration committee of this Grand Convocation as well.

I must express my appreciation to the Scribe E's Advisory Committee under the capable direction of its Chairman Rt. Ex. Comp. William Hoffman, not only for the updating of our Grand Chapter forms, but for their instructional meetings with the Scribes E throughout the various Districts. These meetings have proven to be of great value enabling them, not only to better serve the interrest of their respective Chapters, but Grand Chapter as well. I would recommend that all the new Grand Superintendents promote and arrange for such meetings within their varying Districts.

I exend my sincere appreciation to our Grand Treasurer, Rt. Ex. Comp. Harold G. Hubbell, for his untiring efforts. His capable assistance and advice is ever available to insure that oure financial records are current and complete at all times.

To Rt. Ex. Comp. Alan Walker and V. Ex. Comp. David Walker for providing the equipment necessary to record the proceedings of this Annual Convocation, and our thanks is also extended. They will prove most beneficial in its future preparation.

It has been a distinct pleasure to serve this Gand Chapter during the past year. My thanks is also extended to the Scribes E of the Chapters for their cooperation, assistance and fraternal greetings. I am confident need not remind them that our Grand Chapter office is ever available, with advice and clarification, to assist them in their responsibilities to their Chapters.

To our Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Donald Kline, my thanks and appreciation is extended for the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter as its Grand Scribe E. The task has proven to be most rewarding and enjoyable due in no small measure to his cooperation and dedication.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E.

It was moved by Most Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe, seconded by Rt. Ex.Comp. Harold G. Hubbell, that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP

No.	Chapter	Membs. 1990	Reg.	Comm.	Membs. 1991	Deaths	Susp.	Demits	Rest.	Affil.	Admit	Incr. (Decr.)
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	147	85	24	109	4	2	3	1	0	0	-8
2	The Hiram	112	63	34	97	6	0	2	0	0	2	-6
3	St .John's	109	58	61	119	1	0	3	0	0	7	3
4	St.Andrew & St.John	93	53	37	90	3	0	0	0	0	0	-3
5	St. George's	153	77	58	135	5	0	1	0	0	1	-5
6	St. John's	158	96	50	146	4	0	3	1	1	5	0
7	The Moira	157	89	41	130	8	1	1	0	0	1	-9
8	King Solomon's	142	101	28	129	3	0	2	0	0	2	-3
15	Wawanosh	155	71	62	133	7	0	3	0	0	7	-3
16	Carlton	259	137	95	232	9	1	2	0	0	5	-7
18	Oxford	133	66	49	115	1	0	1	0	0	2	0
19	Mount Moriah	170	105	64	169	3	1	2	1	0	2	-3
20	Mount Horeb	78	58	13	71	2	0	0	0	0	0	-2
22	Grenville	53	47	8	55	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
23	Ezra	85	110	20	130	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Tecumseh	150	90	41	131	3	3	3	0	0	3	-6
26	St. Mark's	83	57	23	80	1	0	2	0	1	1	-4
27	Manitou	100	65	20	85	3	0	0	0	1	1	-1
28	Pentalpha	159	107	33	140	5	1	3	0	0	4	-5
29	McCallum	75	60	2	62	1	0	2	0	0	1	-2
30	Huron	110	76	17	93	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	Prince Edward	116	68	29	97	5	2	3	1	1	4	-4
32	Waterloo	121	89	8	97	6	0	0	0	0	3	-3
34	Signet	132	33	90	123	4	5	0	0	0	1	-8
35	Keystone	150	103	25	128	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
36	Corinthian	343	161	87	248	4	1	9	0	1	3	-10
37	Victoria	96	89	16	105	1	0	1	0	0	2	0
40	Guelph	157	87	52	139	3	2	7	1	1	6	-4

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41	Harris	69	35	29	64	2	0	0	0	0	1	-1
44	Mount Sinai	96	46	28	74	3	0	1	0	0	2	-2
46	St. James	69	55	8	63	2	0	0	0	0	1	-1
47	Wellington	70	55	6	61	1	1	0	0	2	3	3
48	St. John's	39	34	7	41	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
53	Bruce	75	36	35	71	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
54	Palestine	314	46	246	292	10	0	0	0	0	3	-7
55	Niagara	64	41	17	58	0	0	4	1	1	2	0
56	Georgian	79	54	30	84	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
57	King Hiram	84	61	7	68	2	0	2	0	0	0	-4
59	Sussex-St.Lawrence	175	104	62	166	6	3	0	0	0	3	-6
61	Maple-Granite	58	107	8	115	6	4	3	0	0	0	-13
62	York	77	54	10	64	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
63	Havelock	84	65	6	71	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
64	Willson	93	76	21	97	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
66	The Malloch	25	13	9	22	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
67	Enterprise	66	44	12	56	5	0	1	0	0	0	-6
68	Maitland	72	62	6	68	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
69	Grimsby	64	50	6	56	1	1	3	0	0	0	-5
71	Windsor	69	157	113	270	9	0	0	1	0	5	-3
72	Keystone	59	48	10	58	4	1	1	0	0	7	1
73	Erie	95	58	23	81	5	0	0	1	0	1	-3
74	Beaver	89	78	9	87	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
75	St. Clair	62	53	2	55	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
76	Mount Nebo	54	34	12	46	1	0	0	0	0	2	1
77	Occident	86	46	24	70	2	0	0	1	0	2	0
78	Minnewawa	85	60	24	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
79	Orient	125	168	41	209	8	4	19	1	2	2	-26
81	Aylmer	101	90	11	101	3	0	0	0	0	2	-1
82	Shuniah	199	101	49	150	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
83	Ionic	75	58	13	71	0	1	0	0	0	1	0

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84	Lebanon	55	33	18	51	2	0	2	0	0	2	-2
88	McNabb	39	20	11	31	1	0	1	0	0	0	-2
90	Golden	143	112	0	112	2	2	2	1	0	0	-5
91	Toronto Antiquity	99	48	41	89	3	1	0	0	1	1	-2
94	Midland	118	95	22	117	4	0	3	0	0	5	-2
95	Tuscan	261	111	115	226	10	1	0	1	0	6	-4
102	Algonquin	172	140	12	152	6	2	0	0	1	4	-3
103	St. John's	145	104	32	136	3	0	3	0	0	5	-1
104	White Oak	116	67	35	102	1	1	0	0	0	1	-1
110	Warkworth	43	43	0	43	1	1	0	0	1	3	2
112	St. John's	39	35	3	38	0	0	2	0	2	2	2
113	Covenant	134	78	32	110	2	0	0	1	1	1	1
114	Bonnechere	45	42	1	43	2	0	0	0	0	0	-2
115	Brant	51	35	7	42	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
117	Kitchener	172	113	40	153	4	2	2	0	0	5	-3
119	King Cyrus	98	52	46	98	3	0	0	0	0	5	2
129	Elliot	71	56	7	63	1	0	0	0	0	2	1
130	Chantry	54	43	15	58	1	0	3	0	3	5	4
131	Amabel	105	85	14	99	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
133	St. Francis	161	138	16	154	2	3	0	0	0	1	-4
134	King Darius	50	15	26	41	1	2	1	0	0	1	-3
135	Succoth	46	27	6	33	3	0	1	0	0	2	-2
138	Shekinah	217	164	63	227	6	17	1	3	0	3	-18
140	Fort William	108	79	5	84	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
144	Presqu'ile	49	39	3	42	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
145	The St. Patrick	124	45	49	94	2	0	1	0	1	3	1
146	Bernard	69	54	3	57	7	0	0	0	0	0	-7
147	Lucknow	47	48	1	49	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
148	St. John's	58	27	0	27	3	0	0	0	0	0	-3
149	Atwood	35	24	0	24	2	0	2	0	1	0	-3
150	London	134	79	37	116	0	2	0	0	1	3	2

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151	Laurentian	100	77	5	82	3	1	3	0	0	1	-6
152	Alberton	134	105	10	115	6	2	0	0	0	7	-1
153	Sombra	42	38	4	42	1	0	1	0	0	3	1
155	Ancaster	68	59	5	64	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
161	Madoc	57	39	6	45	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
167	Kitchikewana	131	73	51	124	3	0	2	0	0	5	0
168	Ionic	78	56	14	70	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
169	Temiskaming	50	36	2	38	0	0	4	0	0	2	-2
175	The Hamilton	115	79	10	89	3	4	3	0	0	2	-8
184	Hugh Murray	80	75	3	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
195	Peel	157	71	75	146	3	6	4	0	1	3	-9
198	Couchiching	113	52	55	107	5	0	0	0	0	2	-3
205	Victoria	146	96	38	134	3	1	5	2	2	4	-1
210	Kitchener	53	44	6	50	0	1	3	0	0	2	-2
212	Mount Sinai	332	18	288	306	7	0	0	0	0	2	-5
213	Northern Lights	80	39	21	60	4	0	0	0	0	3	-1
214	Vimy	61	29	25	54	4	0	0	0	2	1	-1
215	Mimico	102	58	13	71	2	2	3	0	0	0	-7
217	St. Alban's	50	105	21	126	3	1	5	0	2	2	-5
218	Prince Edward	41	38	3	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
220	Lebanon	140	127	29	156	3	2	5	0	1	1	-8
221	Durham	66	58	3	61	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
222	Ottawa	200	132	29	161	4	0	1	0	1	2	-2
223	Abitibi	42	41	0	41	0	0	1	0	0	2	1
224	Keystone	122	60	51	111	3	1	0	1	0	2	-2
226	Prince of Wales	105	8	93	101	3	0	0	0	1	4	2
227	Quinte Friendship	195	93	48	141	6	6	18	0	1	3	-26
230	Port Credit	123	60	15	75	0	0	3	0	0	0	-3
232	King Cyrus	95	64	26	90	2	0	3	0	2	1	-2
233	Oakwood	72	54	15	69	1	0	4	0	0	2	-3
234	Halton	123	89	5	94	2	2	0	0	0	2	-2

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235	Aurora	101	52	42	94	0	0	2	0	0	1	-1
236	Caledonia	63	47	14	61	2	0	1	0	0	3	0
238	St. Andrew	159	116	42	158	0	0	1	0	0	6	5
239	Blenheim	61	51	0	51	3	1	1	0	0	0	-5
241	University	68	59	9	68	4	0	0	0	1	2	-1
243	McKay	96	75	16	91	2	0	0	0	1	2	1
245	Preston	64	58	7	65	1	0	0	0	1	3	3
247	Nilestown	165	88	76	164	5	2	1	1	0	3	-4
248	Dochert	59	53	2	55	4	0	1	0	0	4	-1
249	Palestine	97	68	12	80	3	0	1	0	0	1	-3
251	Kirkland	80	44	15	59	1	0	2	0	0	0	-3
252	Hiawatha	302	139	151	290	2	0	0	0	0	0	-2
253	Regal	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
254	Golden Star	185	86	73	159	4	0	2	0	0	2	-4
255	Tillsonburg	83	47	36	83	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
257	Espanola	107	83	21	104	2	1	1	0	1	3	0
259	Quetico	48	45	3	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
260	Centennial	55	43	18	61	0	0	1	0	0	3	2
261	Seguin	49	55	7	62	1	0	0	0	0	7	6
262	King David	89	73	14	87	0	0	1	0	0	3	2
263	The Scarborough	105	78	7	85	2	0	0	0	1	2	1
264	Tecumseth	71	12	72	84	0	0	2	0	0	1	-1
265	Brampton	67	2	75	77	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
266	Kenogamisis	40	36	5	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
267	North Hastings	37	39	1	40	3	0	1	0	1	0	-3
	**** Totals ****	**15191**	**9763**	**4318**	**14081**	**361**	**105**	**201**	**19**	**44**	**293**	**-311**

STATISTICAL REPORT

DEATHS – 1991

1 – Gostlin, R.L.; Huff, F.E.; Reid, W.T.; Sheppard, E.
2 – Fonger, D.W.; Gulliver, R.; Scobbie, W.J.; Collett, S.J.; Barlow, W.; McCartney, W.; Johnson, J.E.
3 – Fowler, R.G.
4 – Hevenor, G.C.; Zaher, M.J.; Tester, D.K.
5 – Cowman, E.; Wallace, P.C.; Wilson, J.D.; McRae. M.; Lyttle, J.D.
6 – Cowell, A.W.; Hirst, P.G.; Raby, R.; House, H.D.
7 – Mather, J.H.; Phillips, J.A.; Blaker, L.; Lowther, C.S.; Harrison, E.; Vaughan, W.; Coleman, W.; Hewson, C.R.
8 – Kinnee, M.J.; Ryan, M.J.; Adams, J.A.
15 – Manore, C.C.; Mairs, S.E.; White, E.D.F.; Matthews, C.B.; Harris, N.W.; Anderson, C.F.; Baxter, W.J.; Howsam, G.E.
16 – Pushman, J.W.; McGuire, G.F.; Ash, W.J.; Hodgins, L.A.; Pettapiece, T.E.; Martineau, W.A.; Neidy, J.; Scheonherr, E.; Cummings B.F.; Watt, W.G.; Metheral, D.M.
18 – Nutt, G.
19 – Rorison, A.G.; Marriott, L.H.; Patriquin, W.B.
20 – Ferguson, W.D.; Bowman, C.
24 – Waldie, G.T.; Young, R.E.; Acheson, S.E.A.
26 – Ahern, J.
27 – Kilsby. J.A.; Peake, T.; Oliver, A.D.
28 – Wheeler, J.R.; Hele, A.D.; Wright, R.R.; Hooney, W.J.; Gifford, R.H.
29 – Lundy, C.I.
31 – Slack, C.S.; Goodwin, C.E.; Hicks, H.M.; Caley, D.K.; Fennell, C.B.
32 – Whitfield, G.; Watts, B.K.; Herriott, D.A.; Tschanz, G.F.; Light, E.; Jones, H.G.
34 – McMulkin, W.F.C.; Agnew, J.; Mesley, W.F.; Riddell, A.C.
35 – Kearney, A.E.
36 – Hewitt, J.H.; Burdett, A.E.; Hopkins, R.F.; Buckland, F.L.; Metheral, D.M.
37 – Gorden, H.M.; Sinclair, B.K.
40 – Clark, W.M.; Gaw, A.; Brown,J.R.
41 – Sheldon, B.G.; Sitter, G.A.
44 – Mellow, L.B.; Richmond, F.N.; Asselstine, W.O.
46 – Galloway, W.J.; Gough, E.
47 – Ambrose, J.J.
53 – Downer, G.H.
54 – Hankinson, P.W.; Smith, S.; Spry, H.H.; Lumley, W.C.; Mauer, E.
56 – Holmes, W.J.
57 – Rogers, C.F.; Leigh, L.W.
59 – Armstrong, W.B.; Kalar, V.H.; Hughes, T.M.; Francis, O.W.; MacKay, R.D.; Wallace, C.H.
61 – Scanlon, C.; Carruthrs, N.F.; Allan, D.G.; Millar, L.L.; Lovelace, H.L.; Woodward, D.G.; Hill, H.
62 – Mills, A.E.; Kell, S.S.
63 – McCracken, T.A.
64 – Corlett, W.L.
66 – Hamilton, J.
67 – Reany, M.; Gray, E.C.; Story, G.A.; Wells. H.A.; Inch, F.A.

DEATHS – 1991

68 – Rummery, E.
69 – McEachern, B.M.
71 – McWilliam. J.A.; Pirak, A.G.; Wallace, W.; Head, W.A.C.; Davenport, J.; Cracknell, K.R.; Walters, E.; Davis, C.; McKenster, E.J.
72 – Reid, A.N.; Morrow, H.A.; Morton, W.J.; Wilson, E.D.
73 – Devereux, G.; Dick, A.; Winter, J.L.; Johnston, J.D.; Brunt, A.T.E.
74 – Morningstar, A.
76 – Blanchard, F.
77 – Isard, E.O.; Parks, E.J.
78 – Hodgins, C.C.; McDowell, C.A.; Thompson, D.
79 – Pellatt, A.C.; Burrows, R.; Cameron, I.M.; Burton, A.J.; Hicks, C.H.; Addison, W.G.; Oddeifson, E.W.; Kerrigan, N.C; Mills, A.E.;
81 – Durkee, S.; Armstrong, W.; Ashford, R.A.
82 – Tomlinson, W.S.; Saites, C.P.; Veinotte, A.R.; Spoljarich, G.G.
84 – McKenzie, W.A.; Campbell, C.
88 – Kenny, T.R.
90 – Kenny, T.W.; Parrott, J.L.
91 – Heinbacker, E.G.; Aquilina, V.J.; Leigh, D.A.
94 – Heatlie, E.V.; Haight, L.H.; Claxton, R.A.
95 – Cressey, W.E.W.; Waller, A.E.; Lewis, H.B.; Block, F.R.; Eadie, J.; Martin, R.W.; McNeice, W.Jr.; Renaud, J.G.; McLeod, F.G.; Lee, A.J.
102 – Nevitt, J.W.; McRae, D.W.; Saunders, W.C.; Merrifield, R.E.; Wyatt, G.H.; David, R.
103 – McCluskey, D.H.; McMahon, W.J.; Sutherland, P.S.
104 – Amos, S.R.
110 – Patterson, L.D.
113 – Bateman, H.E.D.; Fisk, H.
114 – McArthur, C.R.; Headrick, H.L.
115 – Goose, E.; Moore, W.C.
117 – Bean, R.M.; Matthews, N.; McClements, J.; Given, G.L.
119 – Stocks, L.D.; Curtis, F.L.; Lambier, H.M.
129 – Ovens, O.E.
130 – McKenzie, W.S.
131 – Clifford, B.W.
133 – Sauder, J.G.; Stewart, G.P.
134 – Rennie, E.E.
135 – Veitch, M.; Fairman, E.R.; Archibald, H.N.
138 – Clarkson, G.L.; Massie, W.H.; Clare, R.M.; MacLeod, D.M.; McColl, A.A.; Gillelan, D.R.
140 – Iddon, G.H.S.; Sinclair, R.I.; Karle, G.E.
144 – Harden, G.H.
145 – Weston, M.F.; Wardle, J.E.
146 – Hernsworth, M.H.C.; Wilson, J.A.; Rowlings, L.T.; Hammond, D.K.; Jackson, G.; Corlett, W.L.; Highfield, A.
148 – Mooney, W.; Greenway, G.; McGowan, J.
149 – Hagarty, R.B.; Carnahan, R.H.
151 – West, E.G.; Vienot, R.A.; Carnahan, R.H.; Stuart, R.C.
152 – Barrett, F.T.; Pearson, E.A.; Douglas, C.B.; Urquhart, N.E.; Wepruk, N.; Showlter, R.W.
153 – Maybee, E.E.

DEATHS – 1991

161 – Naulls, D.; Wilson, E.D.
167 – Orr, W.R.; Corlett, W.; Tumber, C.E.; McAllen, H.G.
168 – Free, G.H.
175 – Stephens, L.A.D.; Crawshaw, G.H.R.; Van Fleet, T.E.
184 – Cox, A.V.
195 – Early, D.A.; Burrows, D.; Johnston, W.J.
198 – Crawford, G.L.; Brown, J.S.; Corlett, W.L.; Graham, W.A.; Greenway, G.
205 – Stephenson, W.H.; Burrows, L.; Kucera, D.
212 – Grossman, A.; Hertzman, C.; Halpern, M.S.; Cone, A.; Yolleck, H.G.; Korzen, B.; Rosenfield, L.
213 – Brown, J.; MacElwee, E.R.; Martel, F.F.; Anderchuk, N.; Millions, S.A.
214 – Russell, B.A.; Mitchell, R.G.; Campbell, A.D.; Cherry, G.B.
215 – Waites, A.H.; Danter, P.
217 – Darker, W.C.; Baldwin, A.H.; Henry, P.F.
220 – Pinchin, J.H.; Brown, H.S.; Mellon, K.W.
222 – Tyner, H.F.; Carty, J.E.; Guigue, W.J.; Ellis, R.
224 – Lawrence, E.W.; Hoggan, A.; Cowman, G.B.; Barlow, W.
226 – Lunn, J.; Weir. J.H.; King, C.
227 – Denike, H.A.; Gill, B.A.; Wright, J.G.; Milligan, L.S.; Calvert, W.C.; Hale, C.J.
232 – Peavoy, S.C.; Petrie, W.A..
233 – Young, W.K.
234 – Carney, F.; Eason, T.
236 – Gillespie, J.E.; Vansickle, E.E.; Barlow, W.
239 – Bayley, G.H.; Hull, F.; Stewart, J.D.
241 – Dowds, W.; Dolbear, C.W.; Strader, H.O.J.; Schaefer, D.E.M.
243 – Malham, G.W.; Clarke, C.G.
245 – Fleck, J.
246 – Gillelan, D.R.
247 – Buchanan, W.D.; Disbrow, L.J.; Partridge, A.C.R.; McRae, M.; Hamilton, R.A.
248 – Reed, W.; Kelly, O.J.; Henderson, C.W.
249 – Gibson, W.H.; Allin, C.J.; Clemens, M.L.
251 – Slater, V.W.
252 – Wilkinson, C.G.; Bowman, J.H.; Lockhart, H.A.
254 – Williams, S.L.; Maua, V.; Turner, W.S.P.; Nickelson, J.
257 – Mitchell, A.E.; Lang, C.G.
258 – Kerrigan, N.C.
261 – Whitemell, P.R.
263 – Vivian, F.J.; Russell. S.T.; Denault, R.
265 – Gillelan, D.R.; Martel, F.F.; Demerling, B.D.
267 – Harrison, E.; Naulls, D.

DEMITS – 1991

1 – Shannon, D.W.; Grant, R.H.; Tizard, D.J.
2 – Fozard, H.; Morrison, H.B.
5 – Kippax, F.
6 – Thomas, J.R.; Westway, R.J.; Hankelmann, K.; Robertson,L.F.
7 – Jeffs, H.D.
8 – Mooney, J.; Parker, J.H.

DEMITS – 1991

15 – Bannister, J.A.; Smith, E.L.; Brandon, W. J.
18 – Hodgins, M.N.
19 – Rorison, D.J.; Clarke, G.
24 – Burford, J.; Galbraith, E.R.; Pogson A.
26 – Giles, H.A.; Cadieux, J.A.M.
28 – Nash, W.D.; Chura, D.M.; Stuart, R.
29 – Holland, R.; Hannah, D.K.
31 – Nicks, K.; Fennell, L.
36 – Austin, H.B.
37 – Connor, K.A.
40 – Green, E.A.; Marus, J.C.; Love,K.D.; Busfield, F.; MacEachern, J.; Hayden, M.J.; Steadman, R.W.
44 – Steinman, W.R.
61 – Ellis, J.A.; Mitchell, A.R.; MacLean, I.H.
62 – Robinson, G.C.; Swaffield, A.G.; Lumsden, P.W.V.R.
63 – Worden, F.R.; John, G.
67 – Robinson, G.R.
69 – Robertson, R.G.
72 – Watson, C.E.
78 – Baird, H.A; Prout, H.G.
79 – Hirmann, L.S.; Johnston, J.W.; Chappelle, A.G.; Sharples, N.R.; McGookin, S.B.; Kelly, D.G.; Sanderson, D.W.; Short, E.F.; Wray, M.W.
84 – Armstrong, G.W.; McCormick, G.W.
88 – Foster, W.J.
90 – Jackson, M.B.; Smiley, H.C.
94 – Burns, H.W.; Russell, J.E.; Goldie, S.
103 – Darling, J.M.; McIsaac, E.B.; Sparks, S.J.
112 – Munro, K.; Disheau, A.E.
117 – Wigood, A.D.; Hoffman, J.S.
130 – Shirreff, J.H.; Howe, A.M.; Stark, S..
134 – Parker, N.R.
135 – McIlroy, R.
138 – Desjardins, C.
145 – Shipley,R.J.
147 – Elliott, O.
149 – Sandvik, E.N.
151 – Horwood, R.H.; Strong, D.S.; MacDonald, J.G.
155 – Histed, J.
161 – Gropp, A.H.; Paris, R.A.
175 – McLean, N.E.; Wessel, D.F.; Longley, A.W.
184 – Harkins, P.
195 – Veness, G.W.; Jones, W.E.;Hodge, G.; Scott, J.K.
205 – Prowse, C.A.; Snaith, A.; Barr, G.; Paton, A.R.G.; Gill, F.
210 – Dunbar, J.A.; Graves, E.L.; Coert, H.G.
215 – Ould, H.C.; Ould, J.W.; Montgomery, A.R.
217 – Campbell, M.; Pellow, H.; Dennis, F.G.; Ferguson, W.H.; Wallner, J.
220 – Crowe, F.; Pert, A.; Blyth, W.D.; Grant, E.; Cowan, M.
221 – MacIntosh, L.R.
222 – Thomas, R.C.

DEMITS – 1991

223 – Boyd, A.
227 – Reynolds, O.; Haggis, G.; Kerr, E.B. McDonald, G.C.; Boyce, W.; Norris, R.W.; Bushell, Y.; Peebles, W.H.; Guest, R.; Greer, J.B.; Stratton, G.C.; Giouroukas, C.G.; McKibbon, N.; Hamilton, J.W.; Hall, L.J.; Markanastasakis, N.;Butler, C.I.; Truesdell, D.D.
230 – Williams, G.F.; Sparks, D.J.; Scott, G.
232 – Wharton, W.A.; Mansell, G.J.F.; Passmore, D.G.
233 – Pollard, J.; Rose, F.C.; McLeod, T.; Wilson, A.
235 – Jennings, G.; Cronsberry, I.F.
236 – Wunder, T.M.
238 – Welch, B.C.
239 – Hope, G.B.
247 – Taylor, S.J.; Peddie, W.R.
251 – Smith, L.O.; Stewart, J.D.
252 – McAree, J.R.; Emerick, D.J.
254 – Uhler, E.V.; William, R.E.
257 – Steele, D.L.
262 – Brider, L.
263 – Balsdon, E.F.
264 – Beaton, C.S.; Galarneau, J.

SUSPENSIONS – 1991

7 – Ellis, J.W.
16 – Nason, C.H.
19 – McKissack, M.J.
24 – Farquharson,J.D.; Morris, B.G.; Seber, C.
26 – Savage, C.A.
31 – Williams, W.L.; McKenzie, J.
34 – Lackner, D.G.; Bucci, G.C.; Lauzon, J.G.; Vass, P.M.; Brown, S.D
36 – Morley, R.G.
40 – Matthews, R.L.
47 – Childs, K.H.
59 – Beatty, S.; Eyre, R.W.; Lawson, R.G.W.
61 – Willard, J.W.; Gibson, D.; Mercier, B.; Hirst, K.A.
69 – Dixon, E.J.
72 – Neal, B.
78 – Hodgins, W.E.; Hale, G.H.; Pattingale, R.J.; Woodland, D.W.
79 – Manos, P.; Barbero, F.M.
83 – Johnson, K.S.
90 – Scribilo, W.A.; Keeley, G.S.
91 – Simaan, A.
95 – Hunt, L.P.
104 – Blackwell, M.G.C.
117 – Alexander, S.O.; Robinson, R.
131 – Swan, J.E.
133 – Glazier, A.R.; Hobbs, G.O.; Story, B.W.
134 – Ridgeway, E.E.; Tamblyn, W.R.

SUSPENSIONS – 1991

138 – Popham, C.F.; Birnie, N.; Campbelll, K.J.; Trumble, F.J.; Smith, G.E.L.; Johnson, K.S.; Johnson, D.D.; McEvoy, W.C.; Wishart, R.; Pryszlak, W.; Stoddart, A.J.; Rowland, T.J.; Anthony, W.H.; Ferguson, S.L.V.; Scott, J.L.W.; Wise, R.H.; Armstrong, G.K.
150 – Beattie, R.
151 – Fraser, E.A.
152 – Kropelin, F.E.; Beaushene, F.N.
175 – Koval, R.M.; Young, A.M.; Jorden, I.; McFatter, A.J.L.
184 – Mitchell, J.D.; Arthur, T.W.
195 – Barber, G.; Devine, S.N.; White, F.J.; Beattie, D.; Beattie, N.; Edestrand, R.
205 – Akleh, C.
210 – Cassidy, G.E.
215 – Dahdaly, J.; Doward, G.
217 – Colquhoun, T.
220 – Ball, W.; Furlong, K.J.
224 – Cureton, H.
227 – Bushell, A.L.; Sargent, W.J.; Melenson, L.A.; Anderson, D.; Stiff, R.M.; McBride, J.D.
239 – Girty, G.L.
247 – Dorey, D.J.; Longmuir, P.M.

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47	Wellington	Chatham	119	King Cyrus	Leamington
71	Windsor.	Windsor	153	Sombra	Wallaceburg
73	Erie	Ridgetown	239	Blenheim	Blenheim
88	McNabb	Dresden			

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3	St. John's	London	81	Aylmer	Aylmer
5	St. George's	London	150	London	London
15	Wawanosh	Sarnia	214	Vimy	Oil Springs
53	Bruce	Petrolia	238	St. Andrew	London
54	Palestine	St. Thomas	247	Nilestown	Nilestown
74	Beaver	Strathroy	252	Hiawatha	Sarnia
78	Minnewawa	Thedford			

WILSON DISTRICT NO. 3

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18	Oxford.	Woodstock	41	Harris	Ingersoll
20	Mount Horeb	Brantford	115	Brant	Paris
23	Regal-Ezra	Simcoe	255	Tillsonburg	Tillsonburg

WELLINGTON DISTRICT NO. 4

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32	Waterloo	Cambridge	218	Prince Edward	Shelburne
40	Guelph	Guelph	221	Durham	Durham
67	Enterprise	Palmerston	234	Halton	Georgetown
83	Ionic	Orangeville	245	Preston	Cambridge
117	Kitchener	Kitchener			

HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 5

Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert S. Norsworthy
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2	The Hiram	Hamilton	175	The Hamilton	Hamilton
6	St. John's	Hamilton	224	Keystone	Hamilton
75	St. Clair	Milton	236	Caledonia	Caledonia
104	White Oak	Oakville	243	Mckay	Stoney Creek
155	Ancaster	Ancaster	262	King David	Burlington

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

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24	Tecumseh	Stratford	84	Lebanon	Wingham
30	Huron	Goderich	129	Elliot	Mitchell

HURON DISTRICT No. 6 (continued)

46	St. James	St. Mary's	146	Bernard	Listowel
63	Havelock	Kincardine	147	Lucknow	Lucknow
66	The Mallock	Hensall			

NIAGARA DISTRICT NO. 7

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19	Mount Moriah	St. Catherines	64	Willson	Welland
29	McCallum	Dunnville	69	Grimsby	Grimsby
55	Niagara	Niagara-on-the-Lake	76	Mount Nebo	Niagara Falls
57	King Hiram	Port Colborne	184	Hugh Murray	Fort Erie N.

TORONTO DISTRICT No.8

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4	St. Andrew & St. John	Toronto	205	Victoria	Thornhill
8	King Solomon's	Markham	217	St. Alban's	Thornhill
79	Orient	Toronto	235	Aurora	Aurora
145	The St. Patrick	Newmarket	241	University	Thornhill
135	Succuth	Uxbridge	263	The Scarborough	Scarborough

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8.A

Rt. Ex. Comp. Roy Doherty
54 Hesp Drive, Bolton, ON. L7E 2R1

77	Occident	Toronto	220	Lebanon	Etobicoke
91	Toronto Antiquity	Weston	230	Port Credit	Port Credit
138	Shekinah	Toronto	232	King Cyrus	Toronto
195	Peel	Brampton	233	Oakwood	Markham
212	Mount Sinia	Richmond Hill	260	Centennial	Streetsville
215	Mimico	Mimico	265	Brampton	Brampton

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9

Rt. Ex. Comp. Thomas L. Bennett
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27	Manitou	Collingwood	167	Kichikewana	Midland
34	Signet	Barrie	198	Couchiching	Orillia
56	Georgian	Owen Sound	261	Seguin	Parry Sound
130	Chantry	Southampton	264	Tecumseth	Tottenham
131	Amabel	Wiarton			

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10

Rt. Ex. Comp. Paul Kaltwasser
165 Albert Street, Hastings, ON. K0L 1Y0

28	Pentalpha	Oshawa	94	Midland	Lindsay
35	Keystone	Whitby	110	Warkworth	Warkworth
36	Corinthian	Peterborough	134	King Darius	Cannington
37	Victoria	Port Hope	168	Ionic	Campbellford
48	St. John's	Cobourg	249	Palestine	Bowmanville

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

Rt. Ex. Comp. Ormond E. Reid

20 Harris Crescent, Belleville, ON. K8P 2M6

7	The Moira	Belleville	72	Keystone	Sterling
26	St. Mark's	Trenton	144	Presqu'ile	Brighton
31	Prince Edward	Picton	227	Quinte Friendship	Belleville
44	Mount Sinai	Napanee	267	North Hastings	Bancroft

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

Rt. Ex. Comp. William Holton

R.R. #1, Sydenham, ON. K0H 2T0

1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	Kingston	68	Maitland	Kempville
22	Grenville	Prescott	112	St. John's	Morrisburg
59	Sussex-St.Lawrence	Brockville	113	Covenant	Cornwall

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

Rt. Ex. Comp. Mel R. Rodgers

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16	Carleton	Ottawa	151	Laurentian	Pembroke
61	Maple-Granite	Carlton Pl.	210	Kitchener	Richmond
114	Bonnechere	Renfrew	222	Ottawa	Ottawa
133	St. Francis	Smith Falls	226	Prince of Wales	Perth
148	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	248	Dochert	Arnprior

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

Rt.Ex.Comp. Ross W. Booth

61 Davies Street West, Kenora, ON. P9N 3R5

82	Shuniah	Thunder Bay	152	Alberton	Fort Francis
90	Golden	Kenora	254	Golden Star	Dryden
140	Fort William	Thunder Bay	259	Quetico	Atikokan
149	Atwood	Rainy River	266	Kenogamisis	Geralton

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

Rt.Ex.Comp. Robert D. McConkey

25 Shore Acre Blvd. North Bay, ON. P1A 1B7

95	Tuscan	Sudbury	103	St. John's	North Bay
192	Algonquin	Sault Ste. Marie	257	Espanola	Espanola

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

Rt.Ex.Comp. Bill Zapotochny

306 Duncan Avenue, Kirkland Lake, ON. P2N 1X6

169	Temiskaming	Haileybury	223	Abitibi	Iroquois Falls
213	Northern Light	Timmins	251	Kirkland	Kirkland Lake

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3	St. John's	Ex.Comp.Brian O'Neill	V.Ex.Comp.William K. Macrow	77 Queen Mary Cr. London, N6H 4E5
4	St. Andrew & St.John	Ex.Comp.Geo. Bradshaw	Ex.Comp.Clifford M. Stocker	1906-18 Brownlow Ave. Toronto, M4S 2K8
5	St. George's	Ex.Comp.Henry Favell	Ex.Comp.Shayne H. Eldridge	754 Home View Rd. London, N6C 5N8
6	St. John's	Ex.Comp.Donald Falconer	R.Ex.Comp.Alex Wilson	114 Clarendon Ave. Hamilton, L9A 3A5
7	The Moira	Ex.Comp.Wm. D. Henderson	V.Ex.Comp.John W. Howes	87 Queen St., Belleville, K8N 1V3
8	King Solomon	Ex.Comp.James Evans	Ex.Comp.Peter Andres	Box 1527, Campbellford, K0L 1L0
15	Wawanosh	Ex.Comp.Richard W. Rule	Ex.Comp.James M. Bell	911-175 Wellington St., Sarnia, N7T 7X5
16	Carlton	Ex.Comp.Robert A. Game	Ex.Comp.Malcolm W. Watling	123 Bradford St. Ottawa, K2B 5Y9
18	Oxford	Ex.Comp.Terrence MacDonald	Ex.Comp.James Bromiley	442 Leinster St. #1,Woodstock, N4S 5A9
19	Mount Moriah	Ex.Comp.Alex. S. Crawford	Ex.Comp.Dave Laskey	87 Spruceside Cr.,Fonthill, L0S 1E1
20	Mount Horeb	Ex.Comp.William McMillan	Ex.Comp.Sheldon V.Stannard	860 Commissioners Road, London N6C 5Y8
22	Grenville	Ex.Comp.K. MacArthur	V.Ex.Comp. M.E.Jenkins	R.R.#2,Prescott, K0E 1T0
23	Regal-Ezra	Ex.Comp.Thomas Pow	V.Ex.Comp.N.Eric Jensen	24 Beckett Blvd.,Simcoe, N3Y 4C7
24	Tecumseh	Ex.Comp.Brian Wilker	Comp.John Marsh	51 Arden Park, Stratford,ON. N5A 3E2
26	St. Mark's	Ex.Comp.Anthony A.Phillips	V.Ex.J.Allan Smith	42 Fourth Ave.,Trenton, K8V 5N7
27	Manitou	Ex.Comp.Joseph Hart	R.Ex.Comp.Lother Hanschke	R.R.#1 Duntroon, L0M 1H0
28	Pentalpha	Ex.Comp.W. John Tamblyn	Ex.Comp. Gary H.Gifford	792 Hoskin Ave. Oshawa,ON. L1H 2A9
29	McCallum	Ex.Comp.Michael Palmer	V.Ex.Comp.George Robertson	423 Helena St.,Dunnville, N1A 2T1
30	Huron	V.Ex.Comp.Wm. M.F. Cameron	Ex.Comp.Ronald Maines	39 West St.,Goderich, N7A 2K5
31	Prince Edward	Ex.Comp.Vernon Striker	Ex.Comp.Ronald Stone	Box 19, Picton, ON, K0K 2T0
32	Waterloo	Ex.Comp.Donald J. Fryett	Comp.Hugh A.Sheppard	925 Westminster Dr.S.,Cambridge,N3H 1V5
34	Signet	Ex.Comp. Ed Monkman	V.Ex.Comp.Charles V. Coursey	441 Edgehill Dr., Barrie, ON. L4M 4S4
35	Keystone	Ex.Comp.Ralph Jenkins	Ex.Comp.William Hoffman	51-520 Rossland Rd.E.,Oshawa, L1G 2X5
36	Corinthian	Ex.Comp.Glen Harris	Ex.Comp.William H.Collinson	51 Nevin Ave.,Peterborough, K9J 6E7
37	Victoria	Ex.Comp.Melville Yeo	V.Ex.Comp.A.Honing	75 Jocelyn St.Port Hope, L1A 2G9
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46	St. James	Ex.Comp.Lyle Muir	Ex.Comp.John S. Puttock	93 Church St.N.PO Box1518 St.Mary's, N4X 1B9
47	Wellington	Ex.Comp.Wm. Skipper	Ex.Comp.David Aitken	PO Box. 751, Chatham. N7M 5L1
48	St. John's	Ex.Comp.Dale Moore	R.Ex.Comp.Edward Greenwood	535 Westwood Dr.Cobourg, K9A 4N4
53	Bruce	Ex.Comp.Donald McAlpine	V.Ex.Comp.Donald E.Johnson	P.O.Box 2131,Corunna, N0N 1G0
54	Palestine	Ex.Comp.Gary Campbell	Comp.George G.Anderson	423 Forest St.,St.Thomas, N5R 5G2
55	Niagara	V.Ex.Comp.R.Purney	Comp. Walter I. Dickieson	68 Maple Dr. Box 550, Thorald, L2V 4W1
56	Georgian	Ex.Comp.J.R.Vanplew	Ex.Comp.Elwin Hall	507 Ninth St.E.,Owen Sound, N4K 1P4
57	King Hiram	Ex.Comp.Robert Wylie	R.Ex.Comp.K.R.Radford	39 Linwood Ave.,Port Colborne, L3K 5J4
59	Sussex-St.Lawrence	Ex.Comp.G. Gary Todd	Ex.Comp.Gerald Robertson	345 Pearl St.W.,Brockville, K6V 4E4
61	Maple-Granite	Ex.Comp.Brent Reid	V.Ex.Comp.Ward Crampton	R.R.#1,Carleton Pl., K7C 3P1
63	Havelock	Ex.Comp.Wm. Arnold	Comp.Charles Mann	850 Huron Terr,Kincardine, N2Z 2Y1
64	Willson	Ex.Comp.Barry Douglas	Ex.Comp.W.D.James Weir	57 Barron St., Welland, L3C 2K4
66	The Mallock	Ex.Comp.George Earle	Ex.Comp.Cecil Moody	P.O.Box 213,Hay N0M 1W0
67	Enterprise	Ex.Comp.Gerald W.Metzger	Ex.Comp.W.Harold Forbes	Box 117, Palmerston, N0G 2P0
68	Maitland	Ex.Comp.Winston K.Kinnaird	Ex.Comp. Eric G.Smith	Box 643, Kemptville, K0G 1J0
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GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I respectfully present the Financial Statements of this Grand Chapter as at February 29th, 1992 and for the year ended on that date. These statements have been duly audited by our Auditors, Wilkinson & Company, Chartered Accountants who have given us a clear report. The statements have also been presented to, examined and approved by our Grand Executive and our Finance Committee.

The balance sheet shows total assets of $ 653,089.00 an increase of $44,743.00 over the prior year. The General Fund generated $9,137.00 of this increase, The remaining $35,606.00 was credited to the Special Funds.

The Statement of Revenue and Expenditures show revenue of $102,138.00 which was $1,138.00 over budget. The expenditures totalled $98,551.00 and were $2,449.00 under budget.

The Net Revenue for the year was $3,587.00

Respectfully submitted.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Harold G. Hubbell,
Grand Treasurer

It was moved by Rt.Ex.Comp. Robert Jackson, seconded by Rt.Ex.Comp. Harold Hubbell that this report be received and adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Finance Committee has examined the financial reports of the Grand Treasurer for the year ending February 29, 1992. These reports accurately show the revenue and expenditure for the fiscal year and the financial status of the financial status of Grand Chapter. These reports correspond precisely with the audited financial Statement.

Receipts of $102,138.00 and expenses of $98,551.00 for the fiscal year resulted in a net surplus of $3,587.00

The Committee expresses sincere appreciation to the Grand Scribe 'E' and the Grand Treasurer for the efficient manner in which they manage the ongoing financial affairs of Grand Chapter.

Due to the present economic conditions and in view of a modest surplus for the past year, the Committee is not requesting any increase in the "per-capita" fees for the year 1993.

A fund for "Rituals, Statutes and Jewels" has been established as shown on the February 29, 1992 financial statement. The fund at the present time consists of inventory in

the amount of $13,630.98 and cash in the form of an investment certificate of $5,000.00, for a total of $18,630.98. Proceeds from the sale of supplies will be transfered to this fund on a monthly basis. It is calculated that with a small profit from sales and earned interest, the fund will keep abreast of inflation and thus remain solvent.

Your Committee is pleased to note that each fund of Grand Chapter has shown progressive increases during the past four years, with the exception of the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, which was designed to remain constant at $50,000.00.

The Financial Statements of March 31, 1988 through to February 29, 1992, show the funds have increased during the immediate past four year period as follows:

General Fund	9,270.00
Victory Thangivings Benevolent Fund	.00
Cummuted Membership Fund	42,860.00
Bursary Fund	11,564.00
Release a Miracle Fund	68,721.00
Total	$132,415.00

Declining membership continues to be the greatest concern of the Committee. A net loss of 2069 dues paying members over the five year period of 1986 to 1990 was noted in the Finance Committee report of 1991. A further decrease of 335 members for the year 1991 is reported by the Grand Scribe "E". This places both Grand Chapter and the constituent Chapters in a difficult position financially.

Provision was made in the budget during the past two years to assist the Commuted Membership Fund become more viable. As of February 29, 1992, $4,150.00 has been transferred to this fund.

The Commuted Membership Fund produced revenue during the past year of $18,886.00 for 4,318 commuted members. This is an equivalent of $4.37 per commuted member, compared to a $6.00 "per-capita" fee for dues paying members, leaving a shortfall of $1.63 per commuted member. Projecting this number of commuted members forward to 1992, with anticipated revenue $19,951.00 from the Commuted Fund, the Fund will produce $4.62 each. Comparing this to $7.00 "per-capita" fee, it will leave a shortfall of $2.38 each.

It is anticipated that with further infusion of funds, together with attrition, the fund will become more self supporting.

During preparation of the 1992 revenue and expenditure budget, (for the year ending February 28, 1993) carefull consideration was again given to the present condition of the economy. Your Committee believes the budget estimates to be prudent and realistic. This balanced budget of $110,792.00 is presented for your approval.

Yours respectfully submitted,

R. Ex. Comp. M.J. Duke
R. Ex. Comp. R.F. Russell
M. Ex. Comp. W.S. Thomson
R. Ex. Comp. H.G. Hubbell
M. Ex. Comp. E.W. Elcombe
R. Ex. Comp. V.E. Young – Chairman

It was moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by myself R.Ex.Comp. V.E. Young that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the members of
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons of Canada
in the Province of Ontario

We have audited the balance sheets of Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 29, 1992 and the statements of revenue and expenditure as the general fund statement of changes in financial position for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion in these financial statement based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform a audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principals used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presented.

In common with many charitable organizations, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario reports as revenue, amounts from donations and fund raising projects, which are not susceptible to complete verification by audit procedures. Accordingly, our verification of revenue from these sources was limited to a comparison of recorded receipts with bank deposits.

In our opinion except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of donations referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position for the year ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Wilkinson & Company
Chartered Accountants

BELLEVILLE, Canada
March 29, 1992

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GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
BALANCE SHEET AT FEBRUARY 29, 1992

ASSETS

CURRENT	**1992**	**1991**
Cash	9,733	4,997
Accounts Receivable – Chapters	7,353	4,616
Inventory		17,423
Prepaid expenses	3,195	2,740
	20,281	29,776
INVESTMENTS – NOTE 4 (a)	50,000	50,000
FIXED – at cost less accumulated – Note 2		
Funiture,fixtures and equipment	10	10
Library	250	250
Regalia	75	75
	335	355
SPECIAL FUNDS		
The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund	50,000	50,000
The Commuted Membership Fund	188,039	179,599
The Busary Fund	61,405	53,446
The Release a Miracle Fund (Medical Research Fund)	264,379	245,189
The Status, Rituals and Jewels Fund	18,631	
	582,472	528,234
	653,088	608,345

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Donald Kline
Grand Z

Edward W. Elcombe
Grand Scribe E

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GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
BALANCE SHEET AS AT FEBRUARY 29, 1992

LIABILITIES

	1992	1991
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,049	2,500
RESERVES		
SPECIAL FUNDS	582,472	528,234
GENERAL FUND SURPLUS		
BALANCE – Beginning of year	77,611	77,075
ADD – Net revenue for year	3,536	536
LESS – Transfer to Statutes, Jewels and Rituals Fund	(13,631)	
BALANCE – End of Year	67,567	77,611
	653,088	608,345

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GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 1992

	Actual revenue and expenditure for the year ended February 28, 1991 $	Actual revenue and expenditure for the year ended February 29, 1992 $	Estimated revenue and expenditure for the year ended February 29, 1992 $
REVENUE			
Registration fees	3,040	3,440	3,000
Dues – per capita	56,299	60,346	60,600
Sales of supplies	4,793	5,212	5,000
Interest income	4,898	5,221	5,221
Interest from Commuted Fund	17,471	18,886	18,046
Income from V.T.B.F.	5,059	5,367	5,367
Administration cost recoverable	5,394	3,069	3,066
Other income	1,165	597	700
TOTAL REVENUE	98,119	102,138	101,000
EXPENDITURE			
Salaries and benefits	21,846	17,390	23,845
Rent and parking	18,709	23,595	21,800
Office supplies and expenses	16,657	15,226	15,175
Professional fees	2,875	3,399	2,675
Insurance	761	871	800
Provision for doubtful accouunts	(85)	654	500
General convocation	7,261	9,077	8,738
Executive committee			500
Printing proceedings	3,739	3,963	4,100
Regalia	1,308		500
Travelling	6,000	6,000	6,000
Supplies for resale – Note 5(b)	3,992	8,792	4,300
Jewels and engraving	902	1,025	1,000
Keystone	5,690		3,200
Benevolence – Note 5 (a)	5,900	5,300	5,367
Miscellaneous and instruction	28	1,109	500
Transfer to Commuted Fund	2,000	2,150	2,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	97,583	98,551	101,000
NET REVENUE FOR YEAR	536	3,587	Nil

REPORT ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Memers of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Investment Portfolio for the year March 1, 1991 to February 29, 1992 shows the following changes and are itemized as follows:

FUND	INVESTMENT	SOURCE OF FUNDS
VTB Fund	$ 3,000.00 Household Trust 9.50% Mar 12/96	$ 3,000.00 Morguard Trust 10.50% Mar 12/91
Commuted Fund	$ 3,000.00 Household Trust 9.50% Mar 12/96	$ 3,000.00 Morguard Trust 10.50% Mar 12/91
General Fund	$ 1,500.00 Household Trust 9.50% Mar 12/96	$ 1,500.00 Morguart Trust 10.50% Mar 12/91
Commuted Fund	$10,000.00 G.M.A.C. 10.50% Apr 16/96	$10,000.00 Credit Foncier 10.125% Sep 2/91
Release a Miracle	$40,000.00 Confederation Trust 10.125% Jun 27/96	$40,000.00 Standard Trust 10.00% Mar 22/93
Bursary Fund	$ 7,300.00 Confederation Trust 10.125% Jun 27/96	Cheque – Early Redemption C.D.I.C.
Bursary Fund	$ 8,000.00 Confederation Trust 10.25% Aug 15/96	$ 8,000.00 Morguard Trust 10.25% Aug 15/91
Commuted Fund	$10,000.00 Metropolitan Trust 10.125% Sept 3/96	$10,000.00 Credit Foncier 10.125% Sept 2/91
VTB Fund	$ 6,500.00 Royal Trust 10.00% Sept 18/96	$ 1,000.00 Credit Foncier 10.125% Sept 2/91 $ 5,500.00 Financial Trust 10.375% Sept 16/91
Release A Miracle	$20,000.00 Metropolitan Trust 10.125% Sept 11/96	$20,000.00 Guaranty Trust 10.50% Sept 11/91
Commuted Fund	$ 6,000.00 Royal Trust 9.50% Oct 28/96	Cheque
Bursary Fund	$ 3,000.00 National Trust 8.00% Jan 31/97	$ 3,000.00 First City 9.25% Jan 27/92
Commuted Fund	$ 6,000.00 National Trust 8.00% Feb 3/97	$ 6,000.00 Mutual Trust 9.50% Feb 3/92
Commuted Fund	$12,000.00 Municipal Trust 8.375% Feb 5/97	$12,000.00 Municipal Trust 9.75% Feb 5/92

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

Most Ex. Companion W. S. Thomson
Rt. Ex. Companion Harold Hubbell
Most Ex. Companion Fraser Hay, M.D. Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by Most Ex. Companion Fraser Hay M.D., that this report be received and adopted. Carried

GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
BUDGET
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1993

	1991 BUDGET	1991 ACTUAL	OVER(+) UNDER(-) BUDGET	1992 BUDGET
REVENUE:				
Registration Fees	$ 3,000	$ 3,440	$ + 440	$ 3,000
Per Capita Dues	60,600	60,346	– 254	68,320
Dispensations & Warrants	600	555	– 45	600
Sales of Supplies	5,000	5,212	+ 212	5,200
Investment Income – General	5,221	5,221	0	5,206
Transferred From Commuted Fund	18,046	18,886	+ 840	19,951
Transferred From V.T.B.F. Fund	5,367	5,367	0	5,315
Other Income	100	42	– 58	0
Administration Fees -Bur. & RAM	3,066	3,069	+ 3	3,200
Total Revenue	101,000	102,138	+1,138	110,792
EXPENSES:				
Remuneration Grand Scribe E	13,892	13,892	0	13,892
Office Salaries & Wages	8,553	2,400	-6,153	12,000
Benefits	1,400	1,098	– 302	2,000
Rent & Parking	21,800	23,595	+1,795	23,800
Office (Schedule Below)	15,175	15,226	+ 51	14,650
Convocation	8,738	9,077	+ 339	11,500
Executive Committee	500	0	– 500	500
Regalia Refurbishing	500	0	– 500	1,100
Printing Proceedings	4,100	3,963	– 137	3,600
Cost of Supply Sales	4,300	8,792	+4,492	5,200
Travel	6,000	6,000	0	6,000
Audit	2,675	3,399	+ 724	3,100
Insurance	800	871	+ 71	800
Jewels & Engraving	1,000	1,025	+ 25	1,000
Keystone	3,200	0	-3,200	3,200
Provision For Doubtful Accounts	500	654	+ 154	635
Benevolence	5,367	5,300	– 67	5,315
Miscellanenous & Instruction	500	1,109	+ 609	500
Transfered to the Commuted Fund	2,000	2,150	– 150	2,000
Total Expenses	101,000	98,551	-2,749	110,792
Excess of Revenue	0	3,587	+3,887	0
Copy Machine Expense	4,000	3,768	– 232	3,700
Office & Equipment Maintence	00	1,402	+ 802	600
Office Equipment	0	0	0	0
Postage Expense	1,700	1,770	+ 70	1,800
Postage Scale & Equipment Rent	2,200	2,134	– 66	2,200
Stationery & Office Expenses	2,300	2,565	+ 265	2,500
Telephone	3,700	3,111	– 589	3,300
Bank Charges	450	235	– 215	350
Other Officxe Expenses	225	241	+ 16	200
Total Office Expenses	15,175	15,226	+ 51	14,650

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON R.A.M. MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND RELEASE A MIRACLE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

As we stand at the threshold of the second decade of our 125th Anniversary Project, which was established in 1981 and became fully operative in 1982, we are pleased to report continued progress in this philanthropic endeavour and would again record our sincere appreciation for the opportunity to serve our Royal Craft for the ultimate benefit of all mankind.

As in former years, your committee has felt a deep sense of fulfilment, achievement if you will, for our efforts as manifested in the many letters, oral expressions and reports of progress which we have received from the several Hospitals, Institutions, Foundations as well as Doctors, Scientists, and Physicists, whom we are able to support as they labour in their various fields to alleviate the suffering and heal our less fortunate brothers and sisters. It is a great source of comfort that we, your committee, experience as we recognize your charitable nature in carrying into effect that pledge made in the North-East angle to ultimately make life more meaningful for those in need.

And now, Most Excellent Sir, it is my great pleasure to bring you this tenth Annual Report of our 125th Anniversary Project of the Grand Chapter Medical Research Fund, "Release A Miracle".

During the past year the called meetings of the committee were not held. This, however I am pleased to report, did not deter us from proceeding onward toward our goal. Liaison was maintained with members of the committee through correspondence and by telephone for the consensus of opinion, when required, and generally to keep all informed of ongoing activities.

A detailed statistical report of contributions, awards, etc. was not prepared for the Grand Executive meeting in November but, as financial support continued to be encouraging, it was evident, that we would be able to meet and possibly surpass, the awards program established at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Expenditures during year appear to be somewhat high but this is due in past to the carry over of some postage and printing from 1990. Postage of $178.45 and stationery and printing of $127.61 totalling $306.06 together with the cost of "In Memorial" cards and envelopes of $501.40 for a aggregate total of $807.46, met from accruing interest on investments, was well within budget estimates of $1,000.00 and has the approval of the committee.

Two years ago, at Grand Convocation in London, approval was granted to propel the fund, then standing at $236,525.28, which included $20,000.00 from the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, to $300,000.00. It was hoped this might be achieved in two years and goals to reach that plateau were set for each district and subsequently for each of the Chapters. All too soon however, the prevailing poor economic climate, with constant unrest in the work place where so many were hurting including too many of our companions,

dictated a softer approach in our appeal for continued support. Notwithstanding this course of action by your committee, the results have been most gratifying and would seem to indicated that the momentum already established in previous years has not abated but is stull carried forward by many dedicated companions who are able to continue their loyal support. It is indeed most gratifying for me to report on behalf of the committee that contributions in the fiscal years ending February 28, 1991 of $14,530.04 and February 29, 1992 of $18,362.55 increased the fund at present fiscal year end to $269,417.87. Individual contributions from companions during the past year ranged upward to $2,500.00 in addition to one for $1,000.00 from the Allstate Foundation. Contributions from that Foundation now amount to $2,500.00 over three years.

Again, I acknowledge this fine gesture from a good corporate citizen. And, with your concurrence companions, I would ask our Past Grand Scribe "N", R.Ex.Comp. William Hoffman , a senior officer with that company, to express our gratitude to the Executive of the Foundation for their continuing support of our Release A Miracle program. Companions, your Medical Research Fund Committee of Release a Miracle is gratified with the year's results and again extends heartfelt thanks to all contributors for their ongoing support and dedication.

For the fiscal year ended February 29, 1992, grants totalling $24,000.00 in several fields of medicine have increased the total amount of awards made from inception of the program in 1982 to $147,500.00

The following is a list of this year's recipients together with the amount awarded in each case:

The John P. Roberts Research Institute, London, ON. – Dr. J.M. Barnett	$10,000.00
Western University/University Hospital, London, ON.- Dr. Margot R. Roach	3,000.00
The Humber Memorial Hospital Foundation, Toronto, ON.	1,500.00
The Hospital For Sick Children, Toronto, ON. Dr. – Brenda Gallie	2,000.00
Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON.	1,000.00
Victoria Hospital, London, ON. – Dr. R.F. Del Maestro	4,500.00
Sunnybrook Hospital, Toronto, ON.	1,500.00
Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario, Toronto, ON.	500.00
	$24,000.00

Recognition of our individual awards by way of In-House Magazines, Annual Reports, Videos, letters etc. together, more importantly, with progress reports in the many fields of research being pursued are encouraging and we are pleased to share excerpts from some of those acknowledgements with you.

Dr. Barnett, President and Scientific Director of the John P. Roberts research Institute, London, Ontario writes under date of March 27, 1992:

"The Royal Arch Masons have made another generous donation to the Roberts Research Institute and I must extend to you my most sincere thanks. This is one of a number of ongoing generous contributions from your esteemed organization. We hope that you will be making another visit to us in the foreseeable future and bringing colleagues with you.

Dr. Linden F. Frelick, President and Chief Executive Officer of Victoria Hospital. London, Ontario, on behalf of Dr. R.F. Del Maestro, writes under date of March 27, 1992:

"Thank you for your recent contribution to Dr. Del Maestri's Neurosurgery Research Fund. Your generous contribution will help this fund grow and enrich the programs of the Department. Your participation in this is sincerely appreciated."

Gwen Davidson, Managing Director of the Humber Memorial Hospital Foundation, Toronto, writes under date of March 17, 1992:

"Thank you for your recent contribution to Dr. John Wilson and the Oncology Research Program at Humber Memorial. The medical team is most appreciative of your ongoing support and of this recent additional contribution. You make it possible for many people to receive enhanced care beyond what Government funding alone would provide. In April, The Royal Arch Masons will receive the Annual Invitation to our Main Donor Reception to be held May 14, 1992 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will look forward to seeing you and other representatives from your organization.

Dr. Brenda L. Gallie, Professor, Department of Medical Genetics and Ophthalmology, University of Toronto and Research Institute of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, writes under date of March 31, 1992:

"Thank you once again for the generous donation to our Retinoblastoma Research Program. (An outline of the projects being researched is explained in some detail too lengthy to record here) We are honoured that the Royal Arch Masons of Canada find our research interesting and valuable. Indeed we work hard to improve the circumstances for children and their families with retinoblastoma."

Daniel W. King, Executive Director, The Sunnybrook Foundation, Toronto, writes under date of March 18, 1992:

"Thank you for the gift of $1,500.00 to Sunnybrook Health Centre. It is warmly received and we are genuinely grateful for your generous support. The Toronto Bayview Regional Cancer Clinic, located on the Sunnybrook campus, will be tripled in size to meet the increasing demand for cancer research. With our most sincere thanks for your generous financial support."

Dr. Margot R. Roach, Professor Medical Biophysics and Medicine, The University of Western Ontario and University Hospital, London, Ontario, writes under date of February 15, 1992:

Enclosed is the Research Compendium published by University Hospital. You will see that it acknowledges your grant to me for research in the field of Atherosclerosis in the amount to date of $15,000.00. We do appreciate your support. I am planning to have an open house in the lab in the Spring, and hope to have some of the Masons attend. I will send you more details when the time is more definite."

Acknowledgement of our grants to Mount Sinai Hospital and Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario has not been received at the time of preparing this report.

The foregoing responses from these Hospitals, Foundations etc., as well as the researchers whom we support, with special note in their correspondence of the progress and successes being achieved in their respective fields, again too lengthy to relate here, are most

gratifying and would justify our continued participation in providing funds to assist in their various fields of research.

Companions, the Release A Miracle capital fund now surpassed the $269,000.00 plateau and the Medical Research Fund Committee, and indeed all members of Grand Chapter, salute you for that manifestation of your concern for the less fortunate of our society that they and their families may be comforted through your efforts. We laud this outpouring of your charitable nature as we continue our course toward the $300,000.00 goal that is steadily becoming more of a reality.

Our achievement roster is continuing to expand and we are pleased to welcome this year St. Lawrence District NO. 12 and Ottawa District No. 13 into membership in our honour roll, as both have reached the 100% of target goal. We salute you and commend your for your noble efforts. Special mention should be made of Prince Edwards District No. 11 for the significant gain made this year. They are knocking at the portals and we look forward to having them join the Honour Roll this year.

Special Memorial contributions, incorporated within the general fund, commemorating four of our beloved companions and the wives of two our esteemed companions, continue to expand to a total now of $11,245.00. Companions, your committee and Grand Chapter recognize this fine tribute to departed loved ones. We will continue to revere their memory.

And now M.Ex. Sir, as we proceed into the second decade of our Grand Chapter Anniversary Project, it is timely that we should hesitate to recognize and acknowledge with thanks the tireless efforts of a great host of companions who have laboured diligently in the quarries to achieve the successes reported herein during the past year. In recognition therefore, appreciation is extended to the Grand Superintendents, District and Chapter Chairman and their respective committees remembering also all the companions who were involved directly or indirectly in our program during the year. The committee wishes also to recognize the fine support and co-operation so willing given by the Grand Scribe E, M.Ex.Comp. Edward W. Elcombe, and his assistants in the Grand Chapter Office. Companions, his was a labour of love for the many hours spent in looking after the financial aspects, deposits, investments, issuing of receipts for contributions etc. on our behalf. Thank you very much M. Ex. Sir. for your faithful participation. But then too M. Ex. Sir., we cannot overlook the dedication of a valuable member of our committee, V. Ex. Comp. L. William Dixon, who thought in poor health for most of the year, assisted by his lovely wife Verna, brought our statistical report of contributions, awards, investments etc. to fruition in time for this Grand Convocation. I personally have valued his friendship and dedication, one who has been a key performer in our Release A Miracle project from inception. Thank you very much "Bill" and may you soon be restored to better health.

Companions, words of appreciation seem all to inadequate for the faithful support and co-operation again extended to your Release A Miracle Committee during the past year. You are "builders in stone". Thank you for your loyal support.

And now as another year in humanitarian endeavour comes to a close, it brings with it the completion of the term of another dedicated committee member M. Ex. Comp. Dr. Fraser Hay. I need not dilate here on the tremendous support he has lent to the committee through his professional conduct. Suffice it to say, he has been a tower of strength to his committee and it is unanimously recommended that he be re-elected to aid us in our deliberations for a further period of five years.

During the past two years, the members have been discussing the possible expansion of the committee to more adequately service our widespread jurisdiction. Accordingly, the membership recommends to this Grand Executive Committee that it be increased from five to seven members. The additional two members would service the Eastern as well as the Mid-Western districts. Two companions have indicated their willingness to serve on the committee, if approval is granted. Accordingly, we recommend that Ex. Comp. Clifton Davis of R.R. # 2, Sterling ON. be elected to supervise the Eastern Districts and R. Ex. Comp. Bernard M. La Patriello be elected to service the Mid-Western Districts.

M. Ex. Sir, we now approach the portals climaxing our labours for another year realizing that you will be passing through those same portals after serving our Grand Chapter with dedication, and a sincerity of purpose, over a number of years. We wish you well as you leave the helm of our Royal Craft but, before you take that step, the members of your committee on Release a Miracle wish to record their appreciation to you for your leadership and guidance during the past two years. We will continue to be grateful for your wise counsel and support in all our endeavours.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted

R.Ex.Comp. Dr. Fraser Hay
V.Ex.Comp. L. William Dixon
R.Ex.Comp. Gorden Odell
R.Ex.Comp. Robert T. Rigby
R.Ex.Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie, Chairman
M.Ex.Comp.Leslie Levitt, Adviser

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie that this report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted for printing in the proceedings.

REPORT OF THE LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Most Excellent Sir:

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the Province of Ontario.

This Committee has focused it's attention on the renewal of Royal Arch Masonry.

We note that eleven Chapters have been amalgamated into five Chapters during the past year. Our Grand First Principal has frequently stated that he is very encouraged by the positive results emerging from such action, and he is hopeful that other unproductive Chapters may be similarly motivated. It is obvious in today's Masonic environment there may be too many Chapters in certain areas.

While it is the policy of Grand Chapter not to interfere in the government of an individual constituent Chapter as long as it conforms to the Constitution of Grand Chapter, it has been observed that if a Chapter continues in a very weakened condition for any lengthy period, many of it's members lose interest and drift away, thus further accelerating it's depression and perhaps its demise. Therefore the sooner a failing Chapter recognizes its condition

is beyond the hope of recovery and seeks amalgamation with a nearby Chapter, the better it will be for the Chapters members and the welfare of Royal Arch Masonry.

For these reasons, the consolidation, recovery and renewal of Royal Arch Masonry should fall primarily and directly upon the vigorous initiatives of Grand Chapter.

Grand Superintendents are fully knowledgeable of the status of all Chapters in their districts and are in the most favourable position to recommend and advocate the direct involvement of Grand Chapter.

In analyzing the problems which beset Freemasonry today, most Masonic leaders identify four basic problem areas.

(1) decreased membership
(2) poor attendance
(3) lack of interest
(4) lack of constructive leadership

Studies have shown that leadership is the prime controlling factor in resolving many of these problems. On the other hand, the lack of leadership, or negative leadership, further escalates the retrogression.

This Committee agrees with the maxim of commercial enterprise and industry: "LEADERS ARE NOT BORN, BUT DEVELOPED". It is, therefore, our opinion that Grand Chapter should recognize the essential need to provide leadership training courses for it's Principals.

It is quite apparent that today many Companions reach the Principal's Chairs more quickly than in the past. Hence their leadership skills have not had the opportunity to develop and mature, lying dormant. Proper instruction can be a great motivating experience for these Officers, and they, in their turn, will be more skilful in motivating the Officers and members of their Chapters.

This Committee recommends that the Grand Lecturer, or a special Committee authorized by Grand Chapter, be delegated to develop and conduct leadership programs for Principals, including Principal Sojourners. It is recommended that these Workshops or Seminars be held frequently in the districts, the said programs addressing themes such as developing skills in managing people, the responsibilities of the Officers for improving Chapter attendance and growth, effective techniques in motivating Officers and members, including a study a better ways of communicating with the membership.

In making recommendations for Capitular renewal, we propose a three-fold plan to be introduced and conducted simultaneously.

(1) Actively encourage and cultivate the consolidation of Chapters by amalgamation when evidence indicates Chapters have been experiencing long term problems.
(2) Improve the leadership capabilities of present and future Principals. We need totally dedicated leaders with the qualities of imagination, vision and enthusiasm to make things happen.
(3) In conjunction with the above-noted measures, we recommend that Grand Chapter develop creative and innovative plans for a membership drive.

The Long Range Planning Committee is confident that if this proposed 3-step plan is instituted by Grand Chapter and enthusiastically and actively endorsed by the membership, considerable progress will be made for the renewal and advancement of Royal Arch Masonry.

Respectfully submitted,

M.Ex.Comp. Albert A. Mortlock M.Ex.Comp. Edward W. Elcombe
R.Ex.Comp. Harold G. Hubbell R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J. Duke
M.Ex.Comp. Gorden H. Stuart, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Gorden H. Stuart that this report be received and adopted. Carried

REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE

The Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

As chairman of the Grand Chapter Bursary Committee, it gives me great pleasure to present a report on the meeting which was held in Brampton on November 2, 1991. I feel that to be on this Committee is an honour and involves a great deal of responsibility. First, I would like to thank those dedicated Companions who were able to give assistance, when other members of the Committee were unable to attend. I really appreciated their help. I also wish to thank Most Excellent Companion Edward W. Elcombe, Grand Scribe E. for all the assistance he has given me through the Grand Chapter Office.

The Bursary Committee wishes to report that during the past twelve months we received 51 applications, of which 37 were approved.

No.	Total	
19	1st. Year Students each receiving $100.00	$9,000.00
10	2nd. Year Students each receiving $300.00	$3,000.00
8	3rd. & 4th. Year Students each receiving $450.00	$3,600.00

A total of $8,500.00 was given in bursaries during the past twelve months to 28 University Students, 8 College Student and 1 Social Worker.

Most Excellent Sir, I submit this report on behalf of the Bursary Committee.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Bert A. Mennie V. Ex. Comp. Dan Roberts
Rt. Ex. Comp. Melvyn Duke V. Ex. Comp. David Laskie
Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, advisor
Rt. Ex. Comp. Earl F. Gray, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by Rt.Ex.Comp. Earl F. Gray, that this report be received and adopted. Carried.

LAWS & JURISPRUDENCE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

During the year just completed amendments to the by-laws of 38 Chapters have been referred to your committee for review and suggested recommendations were submitted to the Grand First Principal for his final consideration and or approval. Of the 38 amendments submitted 36 of them pertained to the financial matters of the Chapters.

The present method adopted by Grand Chapter provides that all by-law amendments, both financial and constitutional be reviewed and recommendations made by this committee. However the terms of reference of the responsibilities of this committee in the Constitution would appear to be more of a judicial nature rather than dealing with finances of the Chapters. The recommendations therefore are in our opinion a moral, rather than a constitutional responsibility.

It was encouraging to note when reviewing the financial statements of the Chapters, that many are well financed and have excellent investment portfolios. It was also evident that a number of Chapters have little or no resources and must rely on exaltation fees and or on fund raising methods to meet their operating expenses. Some Chapters have used the funds received for life memberships as operating expenses.

Recognizing that Chapters have the inherent right to manage their own affairs. yet it is evident that some Chapters require some guidance and assistance in their financial planning if they are to remain solvent, able to meet their operating expenses and their financial obligations to this Grand Chapter.

Your committee therefore recommend, that in view of the high percentage of amendments that relate to the finances of the Chapter, that Grand Chapter appoint a committee of Companions with proven business and financial expertise to review and recommend on such amendments prior to this committees review for constitutional requirement.

Respectfully submitted

Rt. Ex. Comp. Vern E. Young
Rt. Ex. Comp. Donald A. King
M. Ex. Comp. Albert A. Mortlock (Chairman)

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Albert A. Mortlock. Carried.

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Archives Committee submits herewith its annual report for the year 1991.

There has been little use made of the library facilities in the Grand Chapter during the past 6 months. This may well be attributed to the lack of knowledge of the contents available. This Committee commits to preparing an updated list of the Archives to be available to all Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction.

During a review of the books in the library, 12 volumes were determined to relate specifically to the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada and have been donated to the Sovereign Great Priory.

This Committee expresses its thanks to Rt. Ex. Comp. Edward Ounjian for obtaining copies of the 100 year celebration of St. John's Chapter # 103 in North Bay on Saturday, September 21, 1991.

A concern of this Committee is that with the number of amalgamations occurring, precious documents or artifacts may become lost or misplaced. This Committee commits to sending a letter to each Grand Superintendent to be especially observant of any artifacts in the Chapters, that would be better preserved in the Grand Chapter Archives.

Respectively submitted:

M. Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe
Rt. Ex. Comp. William Joffman, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by Rt. Ex. Comp. William Hoffman, that this report be received. Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Since our last Grand Chapter Convocation at Niagara Falls several Historical Events have occurred particularly in the sphere of Royal Arch dedications and amalgamations.

June 8th. 1991 saw the dedication of the Brampton Masonic Building on behalf of Peel Chapter No. 195 and Brampton Chapter No. 265 for Royal Arch purposes. The ceremony of dedication was undertaken by the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline, his Council and Members of Grand Chapter.

Algonquin Chapter No. 102 at Sault Ste. Marie, New Ontario District No. 15 celebrated on June 14th. 1991 its one hundredth anniversary.

St. John's Chapter No. 103 at North Bay, New Ontario District No. 15 celebrated on September 21st. 1991 its one hundredth anniversary with a ceremony of re-dedication and consecration of the Chapter room at 183 First Avenue West, North Bay.

The Bishop of the North, The Rev. Huntinton introduced Masonry to North Bay in 1886/1887 with a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. St. John's Chapter No. 103. It was instituted on July 4th. 1891 with the assistance of Signet Chapter No. 34 from Barrie.

At the inauguration convocation in the Masonic Hall on McIntyre Street on July 4th. 1891 a dispensation from the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. J.J. Mason empowered them to open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to enable them to confer the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master and the Holy Royal Arch. New officers were then installed by M. Ex. Comp. D. Spry, a Past Grand First Principal. The newly installed First Principal was Ex. Comp. W.H. Burgess.

In 1902 the Masonic Hall moved to Main Street above the Ottawa Bank offices and in 1928 to its present location.

St. John's Chapter has had the privilege of being instrumental in the formation of Temiskaming Chapter No. 169 and Cobalt Chapter No. 203.

This Chapter is to be congratulated on its 100th. anniversary programme and in particular Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert D. McConkey the 1991/1992 Grand Superintendent of New Ontario District No. 15 for the many hours of dedication in preparing a most enlightening history of St. John's Chapter 1991-1991, including the North Bay area. This history was made available to all at the celebration in a beautifully bound book.

On October 26th. 1991 White Oak Chapter No. 104 Oakville, Hamilton District No. 6 also celebrated its one hundredth anniversary.

A dedication took place on September 20th. 1991 of the Nilestown Ontario Masonic Memorial Park in which Royal Arch Masonry is recognized on the memorial structure.

The last regular meeting of the St. Clair Chapter No. 231, Toronto District 8A took place on June 13th. 1991 at the Masonic Building, 112 Crosby Avenue, Richmond Hill. At this meeting the Holy Royal Arch degree was conferred on their last candidate, Brother Scott Mabley. Honourary life membership was conferred on the three oldest members, V. Ex. Comp. Russell N. Kennedy, V. Ex.Comp. John Craig Honan and Comp. Willard N. Soderberg, as well as Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert T. Rigby, Grand Scriber E. Emeritus.

On September 28, 1991 at the Thornhill Masonic Building, Elgin Street, Thornhill saw the Ceremony of Amalgamation of The St. Clair Chapter No. 231, Toronto District 8A with St. Albans Chapter No. 217, Toronto District 8. Subsequently known as St. Albans Chapter No. 217, Toronto District 8.

September 25th. 1991 saw the last meeting of Ulster Chapter No. 219, Toronto District 8A at the Weston Masonic Building, 2040 Weston Road, Weston Ontario. Apart from general business this was a night of appreciation for V. Ex. Comp. Peter Taylor.

Ulster Chapter was first instituted on June 24th. 1920 in the Freemasons Building, College Street, Toronto under the direction of Rt. Ex. Comp. A.L. Tinker, Past Gr. Superintendent. Over sixty petitions for membership were presented. The Chapter was constituted in 1921.

Ulster Chapter has had many notable members, in particular Ex. Comp. A. H. S. Adams, a charter member and a member of the faculty of the University of Toronto, First Principal 1960, together with Comp. William J. Stewart, a steward on the first list of officers. Comp. Stewart's masonic endeavours are few but it is of interest to note he served as Mayor of Toronto from 1930 to 1934, Toronto's Centennial year. He had Old Fort York restored

and following his term as Mayor, Comp. Stewart was elected to the Ontario Legislature and became Speaker of the House from 1944 to 1947. He continued as an active member of parliament and undertook the task of building a new Veteran's hospital, which is now called Sunnybrook Hospital-University of Toronto Clinic. For his various achievements, he was made the first Life Member of the Royal Canadian Institute.

On Wednesday November 20th. 1991 at the Etobicoke Masonic Building, 596 Renforth Drive, Etobicoke, saw the Ceremony of Amalgamation of Ulster Chapter No. 219 with Lebanon Chapter No. 220 subsequently known as Lebanon Chapter No. 220, Toronto District 8A.

Lebanon Chapter had the unique honour of having one of Ontario's oldest living Royal Arch Masons as its member. V. Ex. Comp. William (Bill) Creech, a quiet life long bachelor, aged 95, who recalls as a former infantryman in World War I, "Was something I had to do, it was my duty, but it's a stupid way to settle things. It seems people don't learn any lessons from war. War never really solved anything – it always led to another war". V. Ex. Creech was First Principal in 1933 and in 1991 was presented with a 70 year Companion Bar. He was Scribe Ezra of his Chapter for some 48 years.

On September 7th. 1991 at the Annette Street Masonic Building, Toronto saw the Ceremony of Amalgamation of Humber Chapter No. 246 with Shekinah Chapter No. 138. Subsequently known as Shekinah Chapter No 138 Toronto District 8A.

Humber Chapter was instituted during the term of Rt. Ex. Comp. John Marr as Grand Superintendent on October 18th. 1924 in the West Masonic Building, Weston and was consecrated and dedicated April 30th. 1925.

Shekinah Chapter was instituted on May 10th. 1904 in Kilburn Hall, Dundas Street.near Keele Street, Toronto under a warrant from M. Ex. Comp. A. Shaw, Grand First Principal. The installed First Principal being Ex. Comp. J. A. Ellis. The degree of Mark Master Mason was subsequently conferred on thirteen candidates. Shekinah Chapter subsequently moved to the then new masonic building on Annette Street and held its first convocation in the new building on December 13th. 1909, the building stone having been laid on July 3rd. 1909. The building was consecrated and dedicated November 10th. 1912 for Royal Arch purposes.

Carlton Place on October 18th. 1991 saw the Ceremony of Amalgamation of Maple Chapter No. 116 Carlton Place, instituted in 1894 and Granite Chapter No. 61 Almonte instituted in 1874, both of Ottawa District No. 12, subsequently known as Maple-Granite Chapter No. 61, Carlton Place, Ottawa District No. 12.

February 15th. 1992 in Windsor, saw the Ceremony of Amalgamation of Prince of Wales Chapter No. 71, Essex, Ark Chapter No. 80 Windsor and Thomas Peters Chapter No. 250 Windsor, subsequently known as Windsor Chapter No. 71 St. Clair District No. 1.

This report is respectively submitted:-

Rt. Ex. Comp. Basil S. Fowler
Grand Historian

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by Rt. Ex. Comp. Basil S. Fowler that this report be received and adopted. Carried.

THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Rt. Ex. Comp. DONALD J. GENT, Chairman
Rt. Ex. Comp. RONALD MINK

Annual Convocation, Toronto, Ontario, 1992

FRATERNAL REVIEW

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

It has been my privilege to prepare this report with the assistance of Rt. Ex. Comp. Ronald Mink. We wish to thank M. Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline for giving us the opportunity of serving on this Committee, and M. Ex. Comp. Edward Elcombe, our Grand Scribe E., for his advice and assistance in providing the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

We have read with interest the Proceedings available from Canada, the United States of America, England and Victoria. As in previous years, they continue to vary from rather bare statistical reports to most detailed reports, many informative, and sometimes very humourous. Some even record every word, comment and sound made at the Convocation. Some Proceedings are packed with valuable information, while others are almost devoid of any words of wisdom. Quite honestly, there were a couple of Proceedings that basically contained nothing but "thank you's" and statistics, and contained absolutely no encouragement to their Companions. Some Proceedings listed every single member of every Chapter in their Grand Jurisdictions. When this is done, as in Virginia, which has 80 Chapters and almost 11,000 members, over 72 pages are devoted to this purpose.

Where statistics were available, all jurisdictions reported net losses in membership. As in previous years, most expressed grave concerns, and some outlined programmes underway which they hope will reverse the downward trend. This year, in order to see at a glance the Chapter and Membership statistics for the Grand Jurisdictions reviewed, we have included a chart which tabalizes same (see APPENDIX 'A'). You will note that when Proceedings of the same Grand Jurisdictions are reviewed for more than one year, the number of members at the end of one year may not be the same as the number at the beginning of the next year. This is due to adjustments being made to the Rosters by the Grand Secretaries/Scribe Es, and not the poor mathematical skills of the members of this Committee.

This report, which is over 37 pages in length, should interest Masonic leaders and other caring Masons in a serious perusal of particular jurisdictions. Your Committee has emphasized many of the positive steps taken or suggested by other Grand Jurisdictions to further the cause of Royal Arch Masonry. This Committee would therefore recommend, in view of the fact that our Grand Executive Committee is supposed to be the guiding force behind your

Grand Chapter, that every member of that Committee be required to read this report each year in order to keep abreast of the latest trends, new ideas and status of other Grand Jurisdictions, with the view in mind of making our Grand Jurisdiction, and the Chapters therein, better and better. We realize that this is a very lengthy report, and that it may be too long to be printed in this Grand Convocation's Proceedings. However, at the very least, we would hope that enough copies could be printed and provided to the Grand Executive Committee at the earliest convenience, that the ideas outlined therein may be considered in the very near future – before too many more Companions are needlessly lost due to NPD, apathy, etc.

We now present, in much abbreviated form, some of the highlights of the Proceedings reviewed:

(1) "Prepaid Life Membership Programs" are being introduced by more Grand Chapters in the U.S. each year. These appear to be well accepted and successful when properly presented and regularly promoted, and they should be an important factor in stabilizing membership in future years.

(2) Several Proceedings from Grand Chapters in the U.S. include all the York Rite bodies, and many of them have established a Committee to assist in co-ordinating all York Rite activities in their Jurisdictions.

(3) Most Grand Chapters make significant charitable donations each year. In the U.S., the Royal Arch Research Assistance Fund is the main recipient, and Canadian Grand Chapters contribute to this as well as to other charities.

(4) Festivals are used in many U.S. Grand Jurisdictions as an alternative to conferring Degrees in the Chapter.

(5) Masonic Advertisements are now being run on the radio in several States.

(6) Youth Endowment Funds are prevalent in many Grand Jurisdictions.

(7) "Re-Affirmation Sunday Services" are mandated in most U.S. Grand Jurisdictions.

(8) In several States, Chapters are encouraged to prepare a history of their Chapters, and to submit same to the Grand Historians.

(9) Ohio and Indiana have well-established, very successful, Masonic Homes.

(10) Almost all of the U.S. Grand Jurisdictions have "Schools of Instruction".

(11) Some States are using a 'three-fold' Application form, in which the Applicant appears to apply not only to the Royal Arch, but also to the Knights Templar and the Royal and Select Masters at the same time.

(12) Many Grand Jurisdictions are emphasizing and encouraging the involvement of the entire family in Masonry.

(13) In order to raise 'donations' to the "Royal Arch Research Assistance Fund", some Grand Jurisdictions assess their members a certain amount each year. In Connecticut, there is a "Three Sixty-five Club" of which a Companion can be a member for $3.65 each year – a penny a day.

(14) Some 'border' Grand Jurisdictions, such as New Brunswick and Maine, hold Joint Convocations.

(15) Many Grand Jurisdictions have incentive programs to encourage Companions to sponsor candidates. One Grand Jurisdiction gives a Masonic Clock for every 10 Applications.

(16) The Grand Chapter of Virginia has a "Mental Health Committee", whatever that may be.

(17) On the subject of late submission of Annual Returns to the Grand Secretaries, Maine has a penalty of $5.00 for the first day of delinquency, and $1.00 for each day thereafter that the said returns and accompanying dues are delayed.

There are but a few of the ideas gleaned from the Grand Proceedings.

We have noted with a certain amount of dismay that the name "Ontario' has appeared very seldom in the Grand Proceedings reviewed, although the names "Quebec", New Brunswick" "Alberta" and "Saskatchewan" seem to be prevalent for Canada. We are, of course, referring to Grand Representatives to and from the Grand Chapter of Ontario not being listed in the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions. In some others where we are listed, we are called "Canada". In many of the current Proceedings, our Past Grand Scribe E, Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert T. Rigby, is listed as our current Grand Scribe E.

Finally, (now this is not a criticism of the Grand Scribe E's office, but rather a recommendation), this Committee recommends that in future years the Proceedings of the various Grand Jurisdictions be forwarded to this Committee by the Grand Scribe E's office at regular periods throughout the year, rather than all at once, in order that the most thorough review of same may be made at a more leisurely pace.

Personally, this has been a most interesting and rewarding educational experience for both of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Rt. Ex. Comp. Ronald Mink
Rt. Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gent, Chairman

MOVED by the Grand Second Principal, and Seconded by myself, that this report in its entirely be received and adopted.

APPENDIX 'A'

GRAND JURISDICTION	for the Year	No. of Chapters	No. of Members (begin)	Net Gain (+)	Net Loss (-)	No. of Members (end)	Overall Gain or Loss (+/-)
ALBERTA	1988	27	2,638	+122	-182	2,578	-60
ALBERTA	1988	27	2,578	+85	-170	2,493	-85
ALBERTA	1990	27	2,493	+132	-193	2,432	-61
ARKANSAS	1990	31	3,924	+304	-545	3,683	-241
DELAWARE	1990	6	675	+23	-45	653	-22
DIST. OF COLUMBIA	1990	6	1,077	+20	-53	1,044	-33
IDAHO	1989	16	1,556	+40	-100	1,496	-60
IDAHO	1990	16	1,496	+36	-96	1,436	-60
ILLINOIS	1989	104	12,266	+466	-1,027	11,705	-561
INDIANA	1989	72	11,299	+319	-749	10,869	-430
INDIANA	1990	72	10,856	+216	-725	10,347	-509
IOWA	1989	61	7,780	+228	-557	7,451	-329
LOUISIANA	1990	56	5,754	+164	-393	5,525	-229
MAINE	1989	55	868	+21	-28	861	-7
MARYLAND	1989	114	12,359	+372	-1,082	11,649	-710
MICHIGAN	1989	52	7,913	+165	-400	7,678	-235
MISSISSIPPI	1990	51	9,183	+302	-693	8,792	-391
MISSOURI	1990	85	12,443	+325	-1,040	11,728	-715
NEVADA	1989	8	1,122	+26	-66	1,082	-40
NEW BRUNSWICK	1989	11	1,494	+27	-64	1,457	-37
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1990	21	1,806	+56	-105	1,757	-49
NEW YORK	1990	150	9,937	+293	-871	9,359	-578
NORTH DAKOTA	1989	18	1,443	+78	-129	1,392	-51
OHIO	1989	198	39,111	+962	-2,111	37,962	-1,149
OHIO	1990	198	37,963	+852	-2,274	36,541	-1,422
OKLAHOMA	1989	28	2,885	+133	-184	2,834	-51
PENNSYLVANIA	1990	124	21,701	+548	-1,487	20,762	-939
QUEBEC	1990	124	21,701	+548	-1,487	20,762	-939
SASKATCHEWAN	1990	22	2,025	+50	-113	1,962	-68
TENNESSEE	1898	74	15,485	+492	-904	15,073	-412
UTAH	1989	8	785	+23	-66	742	-43
VICTORIA (89-90)	1989	109	4,965	+140	-245	4,860	-105
VICTORIA (90-91)	1990	109	4,960	+125	-254	4,731	-129
VIRGINIA	1989	80	11,303	+203	-673	10,833	-470
WYOMING	1989	17	1,932	+32	-96	1,868	-64

ALBERTA – 1989

The 75th Annual Convocation was held at Calgary, Alberta on May 12th and 13th, 1989.

It was interesting to note that a "Resolution of Loyalty" was passed by this Grand Chapter to "re-affirm our most sincere loyalty and dearest affection to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second." It was further resolved that a true copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Her Majesty, through the proper channels, under the seal of the Grand Chapter. This Resolution would seem to be the equivalent of the U.S. "Oath of Allegiance"

This Grand Chapter has a "Youth Endowment Fund", of which grants were made during the year totalling $2,750.00 . These grants were made to various Demolay projects, the Order of Job's Daughters, a quadrapalegic child with special needs, the Youth Emergency Shelter Society, and to a daily snack program at an Elementary School.

As with our Grand Chapter, the Grand Scribe E reported that 48% of the Chapters did not submit their Annual Returns to his office by the time required by the Constitution. He suggested that if a late filing penalty was possibly imposed, there may be an incentive to speed up their submissions. He also suggested that the Grand Superintendents monitor the Chapters to ensure that the Returns be submitted on time. He also noted that for the first time in many years that there was a financial deficit in the Grand Chapter's operations, mainly due to a deficit in the previous year's Convocation.

Of interest, in one of the Districts, a "camp-out" weekend is held annually in early July, and a "Reaffirmation Sunday" is annually proclaimed by the Grand First Principal.

In his address to the Grand Convocation, the Grand First Principal stated that he was disturbed by the fact that some Chapters are omitting the names of their Past Principals and the year in which they served. These dates and names "are of great importance to your own Chapter, historically, and they note, with reverence, all the Past Principals who have contributed so much to the history of the Chapter."

In spite of the fact that this Grand Jurisdiction is experiencing the same problems with attendance, etc. that other Grand Jurisdictions are experiencing, the Grand Lecturer reported that he received no requests from Chapters to offer instruction or to try to answer questions. He went on to state that it would seem that "all's well" with our Chapters and they already have all the answers.

ALBERTA – 1990

The 76th Annual Convocation was held at Edmonton, Alberta on May 11th and 12th, 1990.

After passing what would appear to be the usual "Resolution of Loyalty" to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second, the Grand Treasurer reported that The Youth Endowment Fund made grants of $2,740.00 for the year, for total grants since its inception of $11,195.00 paid out to some 19 participants.

This year the Grand Scribe E was pleased to report that only 1 Chapter had failed to return its Annual Return prior to the close of the Grand Chapter year (compared to 11 Chapters the previous year).

A Grand Superintendent reported that even though one Chapter in his District has a large membership, it is experiencing poor attendance because of local lack of interest. This Chapter has decided that it will move to quarterly meetings rather than surrender its Charter. Another Grand Superintendent reported that at the most active Chapter in his District, its members are innovative, do excellent ritualistic work, and assist other Chapters where required. All of the First Principals in his District attend one anothers' meetings almost without exception, and they have also established a 'Travelling Keystone' for which the various Chapters compete by visitation.

The 'Committee on Capitular Masonry' recommended in its report that at a Church Service, if an insufficient number of Companions is in attendance to make a proper impression, Regalia should not be worn.

The Grand First Principal stated that he has concerns with Notices, in that there are many that go out with absolutely nothing in them except meeting dates – "What an opportunity to say something that may challenge your members! Think about it!"

The Grand Lecturer reported that the Chapters "showed great respect for the Grand Lecturer's leisure time, as no requests were received to address one of our 27 Chapters". The Grand Lecturer went on to report that the Grand Chapter of Austria offered assistance in planning commemorative events throughout the Grand Chapter of Alberta, "close to the 200th anniversary of the death of WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART, one of the greatest composers who ever lived, and an ardent Freemason during his short lifetime." He suggested that events could range "from modest slide and tape presentations, all the way to Masonic sponsored concerts or performances of the opera 'The Magic Flute'." He went on to state that the Grand Chapter of Austria would supply, on request, a 45 minute audio tape with a short text (in English) and Masonic compositions of Mozart, or a 45 minute video tape entitled "Mozart Monumentus", depicting actual lodge life in Vienna, narrated in English, and a performance of some of Mozart's compositions. They also offer a compilation of Mozart's Masonic compositions. Another Companion stated that Mozart "was a Freemason, not only in name, but he did really attend more than some of us do."

ALBERTA – 1991

The 77th Annual Convocation was held at Lethbridge, Alberta on May 10th and 11th, 1991.

The Grand Treasurer reported an operating loss for Grand Chapter again this year, but that the 'Youth Endowment Fund' grew by an additional $5,248.00 . The Grand Scribe E reported that a loss of membership may be controlled to quite an extent "if the Chapters maintain a close contact with every member, and, in this way, if there are any problems, they can be corrected before either a request is received for a demit, or they have to be suspended for non payment of dues. Primarily, however, we need to attract more members to our Order so that it may survive, because the lifeblood of every organization depends on new members and keeping them active."

The Long Range Planning Committee stated in its report that "the need was evident for all Masons to pull together and to try to solve the problems which we think we have – and maybe, we are the problem." "We must communicate in the proper manner." "The image of Masonry, in some public eyes, is that of a cult, which is not true. We, therefore, must first select individuals and their wives to attend meetings in your Lodge Rooms and explain why

we are selective and what our procedures are... we must emphasize that we are not perfect, like so many others, including the church. We have the odd bad apple, that's life." "Let us not fail to explain Masonry without invitation. Let us communicate to all Masons on what Royal Arch Masonry is and what it teaches... Let's not take shots at the Scottish Rite body... this does not improve their cause or ours." "The mere holding of meetings is not good enough. We must make it interesting for all... and have a goal for each Chapter (in the) support of your community in the name of Royal Arch Masonry."

The Long Range Planning Committee went on to list questions that need to be answered, and in doing so, believes that part of our problems today may be solved:

1. Does Freemasonry relate to today's ever changing society?
2. Is the Craft losing some of its prestige and power of days gone by?
3. Does Freemasonry fail after the Third Degree?
4. Where do the members of the Craft fail Freemasonry?

The Grand First Principal, in his address, stated that "we suffer from 'apathy' on the part of many of our members. In many cases, 'lack lustre leadership', and, generally, a 'let George do it' attitude contributes to the problem... membership since 1983 has fallen another 17%." He recommended that "we must take a positive approach and try to solve our problems... we must make sure that our Chapter Officers, particularly in the Council, are imaginative people who have a plan in place for the upcoming year, prior to their installation. It will do us no good to talk about these problems. As a matter of fact, I will suggest that talking of the problems, may have been our undoing. If you talk about something for long enough, people will begin to believe you and to think that nothing can be done... nothing can be further from the truth... something can be done... take a positive approach and then the answers will come to us... find out where our strengths and weaknesses are. We have people who are crying out for help, but they are falling through the cracks of the bureaucracy, because many feel that someone else should do something. I suggest that we have lost a generation of candidates... we must also, I suggest, make a serious attempt to regain our reputation in our communities. We must not forget that each one of us has a responsibility in all these areas. The results obtained will be directly proportional to the energy spend on the project. The Grand First Principal went on to list the "three things that we should be looking for in our leaders: Imagination... Vision... A sense of excitement."

The Committee on the Youth Endowment Fund reported that it had awarded $3,350.00 during the year to various groups, including a Youth Band, a deserted mother, a boy with kidney failure, and an infant girl with cerebral palsy, amongst others.

ARKANSAS – 1991

The 142nd Annual Joint Session of the York Rite Grand Bodies of Arkansas was held at North Little Rock, Arkansas, on March 14th, 15th and 16th, 1991.

The message of the Grand Chaplain, from pages 5 to 10 in the Proceedings, is not only extremely inspirational, but also thoroughly entertaining and enjoyable, and is a 'must' to read.

The 'York Rite Advancement Committee', which publishes once per month a magazine called the 'York Write', recommended that in order to "make our York Rite grow and prosper, we must get valid and current information to our members." In addition, it recommended that the York Rite "Honor an outstanding community member who is not a Mason... hold

an open house, etc... If people know we are working, we will have people asking what is a chapter, etc., how do I join? etc."

The Grand High Priest stated that "We must take a positive approach to Masonry. We must become so active in the community that every citizen will know where the Masonic Temple is located... (we) must seek inventive ways to become known to the public. The Temple could be used as a voting precinct, an active Rainbow or DeMolay Chapter, or some other type of activity such as concerts, plays, or fund raising activity. We should make every effort to invite people who are not Masons. Masonry has some great charities but few people are aware of them! Masons and Masonic related bodies contribute 3/4 billion dollars a year for CHARITY. But we tell no one. We must push our positive actions to remove the secret from Masonry.

Of interest, the "Mozart Celebration Committee" reported that the Grand Master had approved a plan to encourage Lodges to have a program on December 5, 1991, the 200th anniversary of Mozart's death. "We will recommend having a dinner and inviting family and friends, including non-Masons. We will also encourage the Lodges to publicize their Mozart activities. This will give good publicity for Masonry."

DELAWARE – 1991

The 123rd Annual Convocation was held at Wilmington, Delaware on March 9th, 1991.

The Grand High Priest reported that he gave dispensations to all Constituent Chapters "to waive the usual waiting period on petitions... to waive the waiting period between the several degrees... (and) to allow Chapters to move their Charters to Festival sites." He also gave dispensations to all Constituent Chapters "to take Delaware candidates... to Philadelphia, Pa. at the Masonic Temple, for a multistate festival." The four Degrees were conferred on 56 brethren from six jurisdictions by Degree Teams from Washington, D.C., Virginia, New Jersey and Delaware. He also stated that "Delaware Royal Arch masonry is doing fairly well. There is always concern for the continuing reduction in membership due primarily to our failure to recruit new members in sufficient numbers to overcome the losses caused by deaths, suspensions and demits... " "It is important to our image as seen from the candidates view that we continue to be very proficient during degree work."

An excellent report was given by the "Education & History Committee" on "The Capitular Rite in Dover", and the "Advisory Committee" reported on its enquiries into the opportunities provided by the establishment of a Daylight Chapter in Delaware. Their researches determined that only the jurisdiction of California has a Daylight Chapter, which, from their perspective, appears to be doing very well.

The incoming Grand High Priest stated that the "prime thing that Masonry has to offer is fellowship. So, get to a chapter a little early; stay a little late. Greet and treat all present, including new members and visitors as long lost companions." His theme for the year is "SPREAD THE WORD" – about Royal Arch Masonry in particular... Wear the insignia of Masonry, utilize bumper stickers, anything to keep the symbols of Masonry before our Brethren... Wearing the square and compasses truly identifies the wearer as a person of integrity, good moral character and open mindedness. In Masonry, birds of a feather do flock together. Amid a world of materialism and self interest, Freemasonry provides an oasis of values that money cannot take away. Masonry will be what we make it. It can be an institution of moral leadership, educational advancement and philantrophic endeavors or merely a

social club with empty titles and vain pretenses... Shared strengths and weaknesses ensure greater chance of success. We live to the fullest when not alone."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA – 1991

The 124th Annual Convocation was held at Washington, D.C., on March 16th, 1991, and was attended by not only our Grand First and Third Principals, but also by M. Ex. Comp. Leslie Levitt.

On the humorous side, the Chairman of the "Committee on Work and Lectures" stated that he was "distressed during the Grand Visitations to hear one of the High Priests remark that the Grand Visitor and Lecturer is prejudiced, so we investigated. We found the remark to be true. The Grand Visitor and Lecturer is indeed prejudiced. He is prejudiced against laziness by Chapter Officers, indolence, sloth, poor planning by the High Priests, poor ritualistic work, and unconcern. The Committee wants to see all of these conditions corrected so that our Grand Visitor and Lecturer will have no cause for prejudice in the future."

The "Committee on Royal Arch Advancement" remarked that "We MUST see to it that Royal Arch Masonry moves into the nineties with its head held high and not stumbling in the door late. We have a bright future: we just need a little cooperation and a lot of hard work from our members and we can succeed."

The "Royal Arch Research Assistance Committee" stated that they are fighting "not one but two battles. First, we must educate our members on what R.A.R.A. is and second, overcome a lack of interest in participation... We gave less than 1% to charities this past year charity is a virtue which (on) which our fraternity is based. We have, with some hesitation, received cooperation from all of our Chapters. The dollar-per-member donation program has been approved in each of the Chapters. This will give our Jurisdiction 100% participation and marks the first time that this has been accomplished. We now need to search out our members and gain their support... We must give of ourselves and build up a support program for this cause and what better way than through our Chapter bulletins."

ENGLAND – 1991

A Regular Convocation was held at Freemasons' Hall, London, on April 25th, 1991.

At this Convocation, Petitions for ten New Chapters were granted, including six in England, three in Africa, and one in Greece. Five Centenary Charters were also granted to Chapters "having proved uninterrupted existence of one hundred years."

The First Grand Principal (that's correct), in his address, stated that "The Year Book shows that there is one Chapter for something like every two and a half Lodges in the English Constitution." His goal is for a ratio of one to two. "Recruiting new Companions and forming new Chapters will do a great deal to give us even more enjoyment of the ceremonial."

Another Regular Convocation was held at Freemasons' Hall, London, on November 1st, 1991.

At this Convocation, Petitions for eleven New Chapters were granted, including ten in England, and one in Natal. Twelve Centenary Charters were also granted to Chapters, as well as two Bicentenary Charters.

The "Committee of General Purposes" reported on the plans being made to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the Installation of HRH the Duke of Kent, KG, as First Grand Principal on November 8th, 1967. This event is planned for November 11, 1992. Admission to both the Convocation and the Dinner will be by ticket only, and it is interesting to note that one has to apply for a ticket to the proper Officer, and as space is limited, "it will be necessary to invoke Rule 49, Book of Constitutions, and ballot for the remaining places" (which said ballots also have to be applied for).

The said Committee, on the subject of "Membership of the Royal Arch", hopes that in their Craft Lodges, "Companions will ensure that Master Masons realise that their knowledge of pure Antient Masonry is incomplete until they have been exalted into the Royal Arch, and will give every encouragement to candidates." On "Sharing Work", the Committee points out that the "enjoyment of work in Chapter can often be enhanced if some of it is shared. For example more than one Companion can share the delivery of each Lecture." "The Committee recommends that Chapters should consider trying this approach, and hopes that sharing work will become general."

IDAHO – 1990

The 82nd Annual Convocation was held at Burley, Idaho on April 17th, 1990.

The Grand High Priest reported disappointment in the fact that companions still are not inspired enough "to rededicate themselves to rebuilding their chapters and mother lodges." However, he reports that in one area of Idaho there is a strong interest in forming a new chapter, which would "plug a leak to Washington state."

The Grand Historian, in his excellent report, which should be read in its entirety (pages 17-19 of the Idaho Proceedings), poses the following important questions as to the importance of Masonry today compared to a century ago:

(1) Masonry must not mean as much to us as it did to our predecessors. WHY? Is it a virus affecting all organizations? Could it be that the cost of membership is so negligible that it is not considered valuable enough to keep?
(2) Has our attempt at mass initiation taken away the thrill of entering a new dimension of life?
(3) Is our time so diluted by the many organizations requiring a portion of it, that we just find it easier to stay home?
(4) Is our ritual too antiquated to be of interest to our modern ways of life?
(5) Are we putting too much stress of quantity of membership instead of quality?

He quotes Wm. D. Ruckelshouse, Board Chairman of Browning Ferris Industries (BFI), "Change is not new in the modern world. It is a constant. It is worldwide and we must adjust to it, adapt to, and not be overcome by it." The Grand Historian adds, "we must forge ahead giving our best efforts to achieve our primary goal, 'THE MAKING OF BETTER MEN'."

The "Membership Committee" reported a net loss in membership. "The only way we can keep even with the number of deaths is to create a new Royal Arch Mason for each companion who dies. Since our new members come from the Blue Lodge... we need to be active in our Blue Lodges and in working with the new Master Masons. We cannot do anything about losses due to deaths, but we need to really work to reduce the number of NPD's and demits."

IDAHO – 1991

The 83rd Annual Convocation was held at Lewiston, Idaho on April 22nd, 1991.

The Grand High Priest reported that some "once-strong chapters have shown steady loss of memberships and poorly attended meetings." However, he did report the issuance of a Charter Under Dispensation to a new Idaho Chapter. He also stated that he attempted "to promote and emphasize our great philanthropy, Royal Arch Research Assistance", and that he would like to see each chapter "assess at least one dollar per member to be collected at the time the dues are received."

The Grand Historian, in another one of his excellent reports, analyzes "The Birth and Death of a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons". To sum up his conclusions as to the death of a Chapter, he feels that "Festivals" may be a strong factor contributing to a Chapter's demise, for "strong Chapters that do their own work survive." He fails to see how any candidate can take all of the degrees in a couple of days and not be confused. At one time the York Rite conferred one degree at a time on four separate occasions. Some chapters still do. But in today's rush it's hard to find candidates who care to put in that much time during their spare time."

In their report, the "Membership Committee" states that the "disturbing trend toward a declining membership continues unabated." They point out the need "for new members of more youthful status", due to the "increasing average age of our body, as well as all the other bodies in Masonry." They are also concerned about "brethren who move away, decide they can no longer afford the dues, however small they may be, or suffer from disabilities that render their Chapter attendance more painful than pleasurable... If York Rite Masonry is important to a Companion, then he should demit while in good standing. If financial considerations are the overriding reason for dropping out, and he would prefer to remain active, then he should so state to the Secretary. We have ever been generous in remitting the dues of a less fortunate brother. If it is failure to receive notification of dues, it is the fault of the Secretary – or the Companion has failed to keep the Chapter informed of his whereabouts. Finally, if he is merely indifferent in his attitude toward the York Rite, there is little that can, or should, be done... Through all these gloomy reports, there shines yet a glimmer of hope – we are witnessing the emergence of a new generation of young men and women, who have increased interest in things of the Spirit, who feel more deeply the world's and the personal need for a closer relationship with the Great Architect of the Universe. In this newly awakening awareness of our dependence upon Deity... lies the hope for the future of Freemasonry – and for all mankind."

ILLINOIS – 1990

The 141st Annual Convocation was held at Peoria, Illinois on July 20th, 1990.

The Grand High Priest of Indiana reminded the Grand Convocation that "we are in competition with other organizations for time. Time is most important to many of us. We need to realize that we are in competition for the time of the members of other organizations and of our own organization. We are also in competition for the time of our prospective candidates... Quality time and quality activities is what we need... as many of our other organizations, not necessarily Masonic, are more family oriented..."

The Chairman of the "Committee on Membership" pointed out that six Chapters showed a gain in membership of 15.4% in eight years. The Companions of these six Chapters have "proved that gains in membership can be accomplished if only the leadership is willing to exert a little effort in promoting the York Rite of Freemasonry." He goes on to state that "Membership preservation is not that difficult. First you must be able to impress the Candidates with outstanding Degrees and provide a place for those, that wish, to participate. Second there must be activities that interest the local membership to keep them enthused. These are not difficult to obtain if a protracted effort is exercised by the Officers over a period of time and not discontinued because the results are not instantaneous. Thirdly there must be a way of preserving your membership more than just the usual appeal to their consciences." He pointed out that if a Chapter "would just follow this simple plan of increasing your dues by approximately thirty percent and setting the excess aside at eight percent, every member would be a LIFE MEMBER in less than fifteen years. Looking into the past years of our York Rite Bodies, it was found that 93% of those who paid their dues for three years were still a member fifteen years later."

On the light side, the Grand Chapter of Illinois has "One Lady Office Staff", and both the wife and daughter of the Grand Secretary also assist "when the work load backs up" (does this sound familiar?).

The "Public Relations Committee" reported that "good public relations are essential to growth of an organization as well as to its impact upon its membership. Certainly, no one can become a member of an organization which is "invisible" in the community, and no member wants to be associated with an organization that does not do something worthy of community awareness through whatever media is available."

Of interest, Illinois has a "Masonic Home", and its report is printed in the Proceedings. In addition, the Grand Chapter has a "Hospital Fund", of which over $15,000.00 was paid out during the year for such projects as a patio at the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital Annex, and the purchase of 18 recliner geriatric chairs.

The "Masonic Relations Committee" reported dismay at the fact that no new Chapters had been formed, "nor are there any in the process of forming." However, the Grand High Priest approved "the consolidation of two Chapters to merge into one Chapter."

The "Committee on Youth" reported that the "Youth Organizations... which include the Order of De Molay, Order of Rainbow for Girls, International Order of Job's Daughters, and the Order of Builders for Boys, have been doing well with a positive attitude toward great growth and development... the greatest support we can provide is in our sons, daughters, grandsons, granddaughters, nieces and nephews... Young people of today's society are not joiners Lets all of us in the Grand Chapter do our part to take that first step for our youth. Lets get them in, involved, and then the choice will be theirs... You will be doing something that will be remembered by them as a favor of their lifetime."

The "Activities & Speakers Committee" reported that during the year it travelled about the State "recommending and encouraging Chapters to consider holding special events such as Ladies Nights, Past High Priest Nights, Chapter Rededication Ceremonies, Anniversary Events, Open Installations of Chapter Officers... formation of Capitular Standard Clubs, sponsorship of Youth Groups, and holding or participating in a York Rite Festival if practical for the Chapter."

The Deputy Grand High Priest stated that "although we do need new members desperately, we must never lose sight of the most important requirement and that is quality. We must keep our standards high so that others will seek membership with us, just as we were intrigued and inspired to become members. We learn the true purpose and what freemasonry stood for, temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice, as taught in our symbolic lodges. We also became aware of the fact that many of the leaders in our federal and local governments, community activities, places of employment and daily lives, were master masons to whom everyone looked up to. This is the essential and desired image we must impress on those who would aspire to become a master mason... Let us keep our order so prestigious and high, in it's moral standards, that good men will seek us. How do we accomplish this? Well, we as Royal Arch Masons already have these qualities... now we have to let the world know it, through our good deeds, virtuous conduct, and self image, that we give to others, every day of our lives." Finally, he presented the following FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "Maybe we as a body, should stand ourselves before a mirror on occasion and be sure that we as Royal Arch Masons are presenting ourselves to our new members, in a manner that will encourage them to join us."

INDIANA – 1990

The 145th Annual Convocation was held at Vincennes, Indiana, on April 6th, 1990.

The Director of the "Grand Lodge Library and Museum" reported that the former Boy's Dormitory at the Indiana Masonic Home is now being used for the purpose of cataloging and organizing a collection. They have "a computer on line, shelving installed, and books being worked on." The Chairman of the Library and Museum went on to say that they have a collection "which will make all of the Freemasons in Indiana proud. And I think, before this thing is over, that we will have something of a national repute."

The "Education Committee" reported that they felt it important to record the fact that the Grand High Priest "has evidenced throughout the year his firm belief that Masonic Education has a function to perform and that there is a clear and present need for it." The Committee worked on trying to organize a speakers bureau, with the following three topical areas forming the core of subjects which the speakers would cover:

(1) General Masonic education.

(2) Information on Masonic degrees and organizations beyond the Grand Lodge. Only a "soft sell" approach to York Rite membership would be allowed in these presentations.

(3) The story of Masonry for mixed or non-Masonic audiences.

They went on to point out that a Companion has constructed "a computer database containing names and topics certain Masons have, in the past, been prepared to present to groups."

The Administrator of the "Indiana Masonic Home" brought greetings on behalf of the 550 residents and 390 staff people currently at the home. He stated that in 1992, the home "will celebrate 75 years, a Diamond Jubilee Celebration, of an unbroken chain of service to more than 6,200 residents... (which) included 812 children. He reported "among the more interesting events this year, we've had two weddings. The oldest couple – the groom was 88 and the bride was 84. Our in-house practical joker, Dallas Arnold, who is age 91+, sent several pounds of Argo starch to the ceremony. The groom, not to be outdone by Arnold, sent

him a note explaining that the supply was over-generous and more than he needed at any one time, but he would be interested in a continuing supply." As for the residents in the home, he concluded by saying, "for those who have previously suffered neglect and substandard living, you've made a difference, and you can never appreciate this unless you visit us!"

The General Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter, R.A.M. International addressed the Companions. He said that when he is asked the question, "What is wrong with Freemasonry?", he "can answer that question real quickly – nothing! We have some serious problems; but there is nothing wrong with Freemasonry." When installing officers, he says that he has a very simple Charge that he gives them: "Do something!" He goes on to point out that the "average age of the American male today is from 72 to 74 years of age. That's when you can expect to get your statistics from the Grand Reaper. If you look around Masonry, we don't have very long to go!" He noted that there were an awful lot of "chrome domes" in the audience – "We need young professionals in Masonry today."

A "Travelling Gavel" is presented each year to the Chapter that gains the most members. This year, the Chapter exalted 34 Companions during the year, which was 20% of the total number of exaltations in the Grand Chapter for the entire year. "These Companions have been doing good work... they're very active."

In his address to the Convocation, the Grand High Priest emphasized that he wanted the members to be a TEAM, "working for a common goal – the advancement of Freemasonry in general, and Capitular Masonry in particular", and that MEMBERSHIP is also very high on his list of priorities. He enjoined the members to "work hard to restore PRIDE to the fraternity:

P stands for Perfection or Professionalism. We need to strive for perfection in our ritual work. Perfection and professionalism are words that need to be added to our Capitular vocabulary.

R stands for Ritual. We need to place more emphasis on the conferral of the chapter degrees.

I stands for Involvement. The more we involve our membership in our activities, the better the fraternity. We have a job for everyone.

D indicates Dedication and Determination. Many of our Companions are dedicated to the craft and support our cause in their own way, but we need more Companions who are determined to get the job done. The determined Companions are the Companions who carry on the duties and responsibilities of the Chapter.

E stands for Effort. We need to give more effort to the workings of our fraternity. More effort is needed to see that all details have been taken care of and to see that places are made for future meetings and events."

INDIANA – 1991

The 146th Annual Convocation was held at Indianapolis, Indiana on April 24th, 1991.

The Grand Secretary reported on the installation of a "not-for-profit, bulk mailing permit which enables the Constituent Chapters to mail to their membership at a cost of 10¢ per letter. Some Chapters are saving over $60.00 per mailing."

Of interest, the "Insurance Committee" reported on the limit and premium of "Employee Dishonesty Bonds" covering the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Secretary of the Life Membership Plan and the Secretaries of the Constituent Chapters. It would appear

that the Chapter Secretaries are covered for a maximum of $10,000.00 at a premium cost of $495.00, which said premium is paid by Grand Chapter.

The "Education Committee" reported that it had completed the printing and distribution of the Officer's Handbook for all the Chapters in Indiana. It also reported that approximately one-half of the 20th century books have been processed to a computer data base at the Masonic Library and Museum. Over $100,000.00 in donations for this Library project were raised by a Christmas Card promotional campaign.

The General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, gave an excellent report on the reason for his organization and what it does, and reminded the Companions that it owes the York Rite Publishing Company which publishes the "Royal Arch Mason Magazine. In conclusion, he stated that if Freemasonry is to succeed, "it will only happen because each of you is willing to train your successor... if you train your successor to do a better job than you did, Masonry will have no problem"

In his address, the Incoming Grand High Priest stated that one of his goals this year is to "increase our 'Fellowship' both with the Companions and with their Ladies. Today we live in a world whereby the families do things together. Therefore if we wish to attract new members and also to keep our present members, we must do things that include the family, especially the ladies." He then went on to outline ways that this can be accomplished. He reminded the Companions that "we must also attend our Blue Lodge. "Not only do THEY need us but WE need them. Remember, this is where we get our petitions for the Chapter. If we wish to get Candidates, then we MUST make York Rite known in the Blue Lodge." Finally, he pointed out that "Today there are so many activities to attend that time has become very valuable; therefore to increase our attendance, you must plan your meetings accordingly, and make them worthwhile -"have Pride when you preside. Start your meetings on time, Expedite your business, keeping your meeting short and enjoyable, after which you will have time to socialize... Remember to have refreshments... Those who need to leave early can then do so, but those who have the time will certainly enjoy the good Fellowship and you will be surprised at the suggestions you will hear... LET'S HAVE FUN IN 91"

IOWA – 1990

The 134th Annual Convocation was held at Sioux City, Iowa on August 9th and 10th, 1990, in conjunction with the 88th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Iowa.

The Grand Master of Masons informed the Companions that the "number of initiations compared with the first six months a year ago is up about 44%. The number of raisings... is about 55% over where it was a year ago... it helps each of us in the Masonic fraternity to become a better and stronger fraternity... You and I have a product to sell. Regardless of what you want to call it, Masonry is a product, and you and I need to be selling it every day of our lives." With Masonry, we "learn to work together as a team, a "rated team", to accomplish good – to be a part of something worthy. We're doing together what we can't do alone. As individuals we're not only interested in being on a rated team, but we must also believe in our product. We Masons have an excellent product also... one that deserves to be on a silver platter... but, if we're not enthused, if we're not sold on our product, if we're not motivated to talk to others about this great Fraternity, how can we expect to interest our non-Masonic friends? Yes, we Masons have the best product on the market today. We're on a rated team.

With a combination like that, nothing can beat us. Let's make the scoreboard reflect the abilities of the team that we have."

In his welcoming address, the Grand High Priest pointed out the benefits of attending Grand Chapter in Sioux City – "now you can wear your cowboy boots and western shirts with string ties, and folks won't stare at you and ask what square dance club you belong to." He went on to state that "the same problems besetting the craft have not changed... Urban Chapters are having trouble because things are too impersonal in cities and there is no network or peer examples to inspire membership in any organization... Thanks to the publicity efforts of the Grand Lodge and the district meetings of Chapters... activity in Masonry is on the rise." On the "Condition of the Craft", he goes on to state, "The need for unity in all parts of the fraternity should be obvious to us all. We have done enough studies, gone through too many surveys, and statistics are coming out of our ears. We thought we had a perpetual motion machine that would go on forever. The enemy is us, and we waste too much time arguing or playing upmanship with each other. First, last, and always we are Masons, and should be ready to promote and work in any part of it for the benefit of all. There is only one answer – WORK!"

The "Committee on Jurisprudence" stated that it is "through cooperation on the local and district level that Royal Arch Masonry... will begin to strengthen itself once again. (The Grand High Priest) has strengthened the lines of communication between the local Chapters and the Grand Chapter... The loss of even one Chapter through giving up a charter or consolidation diminishes our Grand Chapter, and his efforts and encouragement to local Chapters have helped to keep them going... we are in agreement that more communication is one of the answers to our problems. Communication, not only from the Grand Chapter to the constituent Chapters, but from them to the Grand Chapter. To be effective, Communication must be a two way effort."

The "Committee on Records and Publications" reported that computer equipment was purchased, specialized software for the purpose of building a membership database for the Grand Chapter was created, Desktop Publishing software was purchased for the purpose of creating newsletters and other publications, an Executive Secretary was hired, through the Office of the Grand Secretary, to manage the database and run the desktop publishing program, and an Editor was appointed to create the newsletter copy for publication. The first edition of the IOWA YORK RITE NEWS was then put together by the Editor, composed, printed and mailed to approximately 5,200 York Rite Masons in the state of Iowa.

The "Committee on Fraternal Correspondence" reported that "more and more of the jurisdictions are making use of some sort of life or perpetual membership program. These programs not only make it possible for a member to guarantee against future increases in his dues, it makes possible a fund that will generate income for his home Chapter as long as he is a member, and when he is no longer a member there is still a "Memorial" to him. It was noted in one jurisdiction that the annual return on the monies invested averaged more than 9%. This resulted in the local Chapters receiving more income from Life Memberships than from the regular dues. Of course there must be much careful planning and leadership of some fine people well versed in the financial arts to make these programs work, but there are several tried and true programs now available." They also report that some Grand Chapters fund certain parts of nursing homes and care facilities, be it the "canteen" or a special "night out" type of program. "These programs can vary in their cost from several thousands of dollars to a few hundred, but the end result is the same – publicity. The local news media will

usually pick up these events and the word is spread. Perhaps a Master Mason who hears or reads about the work of the Chapter will develop an interest and ask to petition."

This Committee reports that the "practice of changing grand representatives that do not do their work is catching on... if he (the rep) does not attend the Annual Convocation and be ready to report, he is replaced. Representatives that do not correspond with their counterparts... are asked to be replaced. This opens the way for some good relations between the jurisdictions on a level other than the Grand Officers. It also lets some active workers get involved where they could not otherwise do so."

In his remarks, the Grand High Priest stated with respect to MEMBERSHIP, that "nationally we seem to be seeing a return of the importance of family, and perhaps we should take a cure from this and orient ourselves toward more family involvement. Programs and events involving family seem to be drawing crowds more readily... It is painfully obvious that meetings consisting of only reading minutes and paying bills are creating groundswells of apathy that are killing our Chapters off one by one. As for COMMUNICATION, he states that "we have not had very good communication on any level, between the Grand Chapter members, between the Chapters, or between the levels of Grand Chapter, Chapter, and membership." He suggested the "publishing of general membership newsletters, communications between Grand Chapter and the Chapters, and between Grand Chapter officers and members." On REVITALIZATION, he states that "with the new openness and drive for public awareness at the Grand Lodge level... let's be on the lookout for ways to make our presence known in our own communities. Hopefully, if we can increase our activities, include our families, attract new members, and improve our communications skills and lines of communication with each other and the world, we should see a revitalization and restructuring of our fraternity into a viable part of our life in these modern times."

IRELAND – 1990

Various Convocations were held during 1989 in Dublin and Belfast, Ireland.

It was noted that during 1989, "627 Mark and Royal Arch certificates had been issued to newly advanced and exalted Companions, compared with 597 in the previous year... (representing) an increase of 5%... It was hoped that this very satisfactory situation would be maintained."

On August 25th, 1989, a Constitution Ceremony was held in Ghana to constitute a seventh Royal Arch Chapter in Ghana, the result of which was "a major advance of Irish Royal Arch Masonry in West Africa."

An "Address to the Supreme Grand Chapter of England" on "Pure Antient Masonry", by one of the Companions, is reprinted in its entirety on pages 16 and 17 of these Proceedings reviewed. It is on the particular subject of "Is the Royal Arch not a fourth degree; and how is it the completion of the Master Mason degree?" This Address should be read.

The First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of South Africa stated that "the greatest threat facing Freemasonry comes not from without, but from within. That threat is indifference – the lack of understanding and enthusiasm on the part of a large number of Masons regarding the nature and purpose of the Craft. Indifference is a malignancy which slowly and insidiously saps the fraternity of its strength and vigor. It is a disease known by

other names... apathy, ignorance, jealousy, intolerance. Its symptoms may surface in many ways... lack of attendance, lack of leadership, lack of commitment and sense of purpose, loss of membership, and all along the erosion of integrity... When we live and act as Masons outside as well as inside our Lodge and chapter rooms, then we will make a positive impact on the community at large... This is how to attract and bring the best men in the world into Masonry. And that's a very high priority. The first crucial element in this goal is that the integrity of our leadership must be beyond reproach... to keep the commitment and interest of all the good Masons we already count as members, we must maintain the standards of excellence that they deserve and have a right to expect. Activity in the body of the Craft should be less important than how a man projects masonic teachings in his day to day life. Masons should be known as Masons in their hearts, minds and actions by other men and women who know them. The Royal Arch Degree is a key to Masonic renewal because it describes the completion of Masonic teaching, and as such is a metaphor for the integration of craft Masonry's teachings with the outside world."

In the report on the "District Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Londonderry, Donegal, Tyrone, and Fermanagh", a Chapter of Instruction was described, at which a "most enjoyable time was had by all, though towards the end of the proceedings your District Grand King wondered how the companions would be able to leave the Hall, due to the noise of missiles bouncing off the roof, walls, door and even the parked cars."

LOUISIANA – 1990

The 144th Annual Convocation was held at Kenner, Louisiana on March 10th, 11th and 12th, 1991.

The Grand High Priest reported that the Grand Chaplain instituted a program to send letters of regret and respect to families of deceased Companions. "The families who received these letters were touched and appreciative. This program is worthy of continuation. It is another way to use the twenty-four inch gauge of the Entered Apprentice. We are to devote eight hours in service to God and distressed worthy Brethren. Let's tell their families we loved them."

It seems Louisiana is as concerned about the use of open books in Chapter as we are. In one District, they have agreed "that no High Priest is to be installed unless he can open his chapter without the use of the ritual." The "Work and Education Committee" reported that each chapter that can open without a ritual by its elected and appointed officers, will receive a Pride Plus Certificate. The chapters that can open without a ritual, not necessarily by the officers, receive a Pride certificate.

The High Priest reminded the Companions to "have PRIDE in yourselves, have PRIDE in your meetings, have PRIDE in your degree work, have PRIDE in Freemasonry in general, have PRIDE in the York Rite in particular, (and) have PRIDE specifically in the Royal Arch." It is with PRIDE that we note that our Rt. Ex. Comp. E.S.P. Carson attended this Grand Chapter as the Grand Representative of Louisiana.

The "Royal Arch Research Assistance Committee" reported that world wide, the General Grand Chapter has collected and invested a total of over $1.8 million since the start of the program, and increase during the year 1990 of almost $222,000.00 .

The "Committee on Constituent Chapters and State of The Order", in agreeing that they have "weak Chapters, who are not meeting, performing work" state that "because of this there are times when something such as mergers... are necessary; however, the Committee recommends that "mergers, surrender of charters, and the picking up of charters be actions of last resort."

The "York Rite Membership Committee" reported that they had "endeavoured to formulate a program where-by all newly made Master Masons in the state would receive a letter informing him of York Rite attributes and stating reasons he should consider on becoming a member. It would be a two-fold program embodying membership and public relations.

MAINE – 1990

The 165th Annual Convocation was held at South Portland, Maine on April 28th, 1990.

Prior to the Annual Convocation, a "Midwinter Conference" was held at Augusta, Maine on January 27th, 1990. At this meeting, a Companion suggested that Chapters give rituals to new Candidates.

As in other States, Maine emphasizes "Schools of Instruction". Nine of these schools were held this year. Attendance at each school averaged 21.6, with 53 of their 55 Chapters represented.

The Grand Secretary reminded the Companions that when it comes to submitting the annual returns to Grand Chapter, Maine has a penalty of $5 for the first day of delinquency, and $1 for each day thereafter that the said returns and dues are delayed."

The "Committee on Doings of Grand Officers" stated that "Royal Arch Masonry is virtually invisible to the public at large and perhaps only dimly visible to the new Blue Lodge Mason... How can we gain candidates, unless they acquire a favorable opinion of our body? A Royal Arch Mason "should feel 10-feet high when he wins the privilege of wearing a red apron. Does he? Or are there occasions on which he might more likely feel the fool? What's our image in the real world outside our tyled doors?"

With reference to the "Royal Arch Mason Magazine", a quote from an article by John R. Nocas, P.G.H.P. of California is interesting. In discussing how hard it is to get and keep Chapter officers, he says: "The first thing we might do is drop the Veils from Chapter line. In this day and age who needs a ten year line? Experience has proven that this two-hundred year old custom is impractical, and certainly there is no prestige in being a 'Veil'. Even worse, watching them read their simple duties is embarrassing, to say the least." Another author, Robert C. Kraus, was quoted: "With regard to the 21 to 35 year age group, time, job requirements, and community involvement in a man's life may be at odds with the practices of Freemasonry as it has evolved... an organization that is attractive to a man from the viewpoint of satisfying his needs for fraternal involvement and self-development, must also use his time efficiently. This might indicate that there could be some 'streamlining' of Lodge business without sacrificing essential ritual."

The above-noted Committee also posed an interesting question after the observation that "Apathy is rampant". "When should the old admonition 'Fish or cut bait' apply to local chapters?"

A P.G.H.P. reported that 'three-fold' Applications were available, that they "had the blessing of the York Rite Grand Bodies and should be used"; it would appear that the Applicant would not only be applying for membership in the Royal Arch, but also for membership in two other higher bodies at the same time. Unfortunately, the names of these other bodies were not spelled out, but they would appear to be the 'Knights Templar' and the 'Royal and Select Masters'.

MARYLAND – 1990

The 193rd Annual Convocation was held at Ocean City, Maryland on May 8th, 1990, and we are pleased to report that a large representation from our Grand Chapter was present.

The Grand Lecturer stated that "One cannot teach the lessons of our noble craft without learning. I only regret that more of our companions do not avail themselves of the chances afforded them to learn more about our ritual and the execution of the floor work that goes along with it. I strongly feel that freemasonry depends on our ritual and upon our ability to accentuate the positive, eliminate the negative, and don't mess with Mr. in between."

The "Committee on Accounts" felt it worthy to note that the Companions of the Grand Chapter of Maryland contributed about $1.15 per member to the Royal Arch Research Assistance Fund. The "Royal Arch Research Assistance Committee" reported that one Chapter had donated $1,608.00, and another Chapter had a per capita donation of $12.85 per member.

The "Committee on Correspondence" had the following comment: "As all operative masons must recognize, we must start with a strong foundation. In our case, of course, that is the Symbolic or 'Blue' Lodge. To recover the strength of the Capitular Craft, we must go, physically, to our Blue Lodges and support their programs, members and officers. We must also maintain and improve the capability of our own Chapters to attract and retain the newly-raised Master Masons while their interest in things Masonic is at its peak."

Of interest, Maryland holds an "August Scene", and the Committee on same reported that 'August Scene Ten' was held on August 11, 12 and 13, 1989 at Bonnie Blink (Masonic homes of Maryland). The theme was 'FREEMASONRY in the Community', and officials from Grand Lodge, the Scottish Rite, the Royal and Select Masters, the Commandery, the Royal Arch Research Assistance charity, a Youth Scholarship Program, and the Masonic Youth Organizations, all gave presentations. It would appear to have been an outstanding event, with one exception – there was an obvious lack of Blue Lodge membership support.

In his closing address, the Grand High Priest had the following comments: "THINK RED. Slogans do not save the world or, for that matter, help it much. People like you and me are needed to serve God and improve the world. However, slogans help point people in the right direction, keep them on the track and motivate them to do a better job. This Grand Chapter year, I hope all Maryland Royal Arch Masons will, 'Think Red.' Let us remember, too, the Triple Tau. The distinctive color and emblem of Royal Arch Masonry should remind us of the Temple of Jerusalem and the martyrs who gave their lives to preserve our freedom and our right to worship God according to the dictates of our consciences. With respect to attendance, the Grand High Priest stated that "Every Maryland Royal Arch Mason who attends at least one convocation in every month (except July and August) from May 1990 to April 1991 will be awarded a special lapel pin to indicate his faithfulness."

MICHIGAN – 1990

The 193rd Annual Convocation was held at Lansing, Michigan on October 5th and 6th, 1990. Our Grand First and Second Principals were in attendance, and our Grand First Principal was one of three guests granted Honorary Membership in the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan.

The Grand High Priest reported on the merger of two Chapters into one, and the two additional consolidations of Chapters. He stated that when a Companion is elected and installed in his office, "special attention should be given to the fact that he is obligated to attend at least the stated meeting of his chapter. That's one and one half hours a month for 10 months. Surely a Companion can give up that much time for Royal Arch Masonry." He further recommended that just because a Chapter has no candidates, "is no reason not to have some other function at the Temple. I would recommend that the chapter have card games, travel movies... Keep Royal Arch Masonry on the move. Don't get stagnant."

In its report, the "Public Relations Committee" has the following remarks, "In this day and age, one of the most important responsibilities of our Fraternity is, without a doubt (if we expect to survive), that of accentuating our existence before the general (non-Masonic) community... Each chapter, or individual Companion, for that matter, is urged to promote and develop programs and events to which the non-Mason and the non-Masonic Fraternal and civic organizations are invited to attend and participate."

In Michigan, the equivalent of District Superintendents are 'District Deputy Instructors', who similarly are the personal representatives of the Grand High Priest. Their primary job junction "is to see that each chapter is given a School of Instruction, followed by an Annual Inspection." The Executive Director of the District Deputy System reported that "this year 36 Chapters out of a possible 114 failed to hold an Annual Inspection."

The Grand Master of Michigan, in his remarks to the Companions, pointed out that "Most of our new members in Grand Chapter come from new masons and only then if they feel that masonry has something to offer them in the way of continuing their education in masonry... in order for the membership in the Grand Chapter to grow, we must attract new members in the Grand Lodge and this can be done by presenting masonry to the community as a family... over 50% of all Americans never heard of masonry."

MINNESOTA – 1990

The 128th Annual Convocation was held at Mankato, Minnesota on April 19th, 20th and 21st, 1990. Two of our Grand Chapter officers were present.

The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota reported that as he looked around, he could "see many leaders. I see leaders with oars. Some with big oars, some with little oars, and some with no oars in the water at all. All paddling off in different directions. I am pleased to see all here heading in the same direction... We toss a coin and heads we win and tails we lose – it is time to get off our tails and start working for Masonry. Put your heart in it and man your battle stations."

The "Committee on the State of the Rite" reported that "We, as York Rite Masons, must continue to educate our Blue Lodge brethren that the York Rite exists... We need to follow our Grand Lodge's lead and mount and continue an aggressive public relations cam-

paign to increase our ranks. Every member should carry a York Rite petition, and actively seek out those newly Raised Brothers, and tell them the story of the York Rite."

In this Grand Jurisdiction, and in many others, there are Chapter planning guides for the Officers, and the Officers are admonished to use them, or "nothing has been accomplished".

MISSISSIPPI – 1991

The 143rd Annual Convocation was held at Jackson, Mississippi on May 10th and 11th, 1991.

The Grand High Priest commented that Mississippi continues "to show a loss in membership because of non-payment of dues... We as Masons need to take a long hard look in a mirror and ask ourselves, 'what do we see that causes our members to become disinterested in the lodge or chapter?'" He went on to say that the refection could be that "meetings are cut and dried" and the ordinary members may feel that they have no voice in the business of the Chapter. "Do we have members that do the degree work that reflect the image that until he is too old to do the degree, only then will he let someone relieve him in the degree work or learn the part? What about the good old boys that hold office and always say, 'we tried that before, why try it again?'... I have often notice that a new member pays his dues one or two years, and maybe attends some of the meetings or degree work, and then there is no response to dues notices and he does not come to meetings any more. I then wonder what we have done or what we have NOT done to keep that member interested in the fraternity... we must 'DO SOMETHING' to stop the loss of membership by NPD... 'DO SOMETHING' to keep the interest of our members so that they will continue to take an active part in the fraternity. I know that many of you are thinking what can just one person do, but let us stop and think. It only takes ONE match to start a fire, ONE small candle to light the way in darkness, ONE drop of oil to keep a bearing from stopping a motor, and ONE member to 'DO SOMETHING' in his Chapter."

Carrying on with the same general theme, the Grand Lecturer stated that "It seems that our Masonic Bodies have taken a back seat to various activities engaged in by our Brethren and Companions, the chief 'culprit' being TELEVISION. Night sports and activities of many other kinds are taking their toll from our Masonic meetings. We continually hear the advice, 'Make the meetings more attractive to the average man' and we would see marvelous results. This is perhaps true, but how many of us remember the time, a few years ago, when our Lodge rooms would be almost full at a stated meeting? Did not the same general conditions exist then as now? Do our citizens not like the same things, especially those things of a benevolent nature, which strengthen the mind, as did our forefathers? If Masonry was a success fifty years ago, or a hundred, or twenty, why not now?"

He goes on to state that "All Masons are aware (or should be) of the truth that the SYMBOLIC LODGE is the true foundation on which all other appendant bodies are based, and all of us should exemplify in our daily lives the teachings of the Symbolic Lodge. In like manner, the teachings of the Royal Arch Chapter take up the challenge, or the gauntlet laid down by the Symbolic Lodge, and teach the newly exalted Companions that the completions of the ceremonies of the Lodge are here, and should likewise be heeded, obeyed, and recommended to all others who are in THAT FUTURE GENERATION of which the ritual in the Symbolic Lodge speaks... The Symbolic Lodge teaches the incompleteness of this earthly life, and that no matter how far we may advance, or how much we may learn, or progress in any way, that there is still a void.. The Royal Arch Chapter teaches the fulfillment of the ambition we all

have, as servants of the Most High, to pass the white veil of the sanctuary, and then come into the presence of the Most High... We continue to try to impress on our Companions the dignity and high importance of our Institution in all of its branches. No Masonic Body should ever be considered a 'stepping stone' to membership in another Body."

The "Education Committee", in its report, stated that "Education continues at the forefront of all worthwhile endeavors, whether social, economic, or political. Only through education has progress been achieved throughout history. In order to compete and survive in today's fast-paced, high-tech society, education must assume an even greater role. Masonry, likewise, continues to need education not only for its members but also for the families of Masons and for the general public. New members frequently are not nurtured through education to learn the tenets and traditions of Masonry. Many never return to the Lodge after their degrees and orders are conferred. As often is the case, the families of some of our most outstanding brethren are not aware of the Masonic achievements of the father, husband, and/or brother. The general public is probably less knowledgeable of Masonry today than any other time in our history. the general prevailing perception of Masonry outside the lodge halls is only that it is a secret and even subversive organization." The following are the recommendations of the Education Committee:

(1) That each Chapter should "appoint a committee to develop educational programs for meetings; this committee further would have the responsibility of making personal contacts with new members. A warm reception, good fellowship, and wholesome instruction will encourage a new member to become active.

(2) That each Mason take the time and responsibility to discuss his Masonic work and affiliations with his own family. He should get his family involved and attend all family-type Masonic activities with them.. Each Chapter should plan periodic family activities. Strong family involvement and support will build stronger, more dedicated Masons.

(3) That each Mason prepare and periodically up-date his Masonic autobiography and place this in the hands of his family.

(4) That each Mason assume the responsibility of living the teachings of Freemasonry. He should take the teachings out of the Lodge to his job, to his church, to his social activities to show others what Masonry means. He should keep in mind that we are judged by what we do and say; he should promote the positive, public aspects of Masonry. Publicize the many philanthropic works of the various appendant Bodies; tell of the scholarships and other assistance for young people; educate the public concerning the prestige of Masonry and Masons throughout the history of the United States.

(5) That each Chapter seize every opportunity to become actively involved in community affairs; under the banner of Masonry, take part in community functions; support public education by possibly funding local scholarships and/or other awards at schools.

(6) That each Chapter appoint a member to be the liaison with local media representatives to publicize Masonic activities and functions.

"Masons generally and our Chapters specifically have the responsibility of changing the image of Masonry in today's world. We begin first by educating our members, by making our families knowledgeable of our Masonic work and then by changing the public's perception of Masonry. Masonry can again be a viable force in the life of each community. Through education, Masons can fulfill their obligation to share their Masonic Light and Knowledge with others." In conjunction with this, the "Publicity Committee" reminded the Companions that "we are the billboards of Masonry."

MISSOURI – 1991

The 154th Annual Convocation was held at Jefferson City, Missouri on May 2nd, 1991.

In his address, the Grand High Priest stated, "A transit society is responsible in many cases for loss of membership and declining interest... There is a patience and a willingness to exchange negative attitudes for optimism. There is a readiness to welcome and accommodate the petitioner with the underlying enthusiasm which will perpetuate our craft and in due time return our fraternity to a more meaningful place in our society. The teachings of our fraternity, when applied in our daily lives, can accomplish much toward our acceptance among our neighbors and friends. Apathy has no place in the curriculum of Freemasonry."

The Grand High Priest pointed out that "There is never enough time available for Grand Officers to get together for the exchange of ideas and discussions of problems. I recommend attention be given to this matter and every effort be made for closer relationships." He went on to say that a York Rite Grand Officers Picnic was well attended this year, at which "an opportunity was available for discussion within the bodies and between the bodies."

The "Education Committee" quoted a PGGHP as saying that "if just a small fraction of man hours devoted to ritualistic instruction were devoted to programs, our meetings would be vastly improved... many of our members do not find ritual of significant interest to keep them coming back." As in other Grand Jurisdictions, Missouri is working on a "Leadership Manual" which is being prepared for the benefit of their Grand Officers.

NEVADA – 1990

The 116th Annual Convocation was held at Las Vegas, Nevada in June of 1990.

After a Tribute was given to the Flag of the United States of America, a rather lengthy and beautiful Tribute was given to the Canadian Flag. It was then reported, that as is the custom of this Grand Chapter of Missouri, "all Chapters were ordered to assemble for the observance of Re-Affirmation services on Sunday, October 22, 1989, and report to the... Grand Chaplin; his report will be made later... Again we were able to appear in public clad in the Scarlet of Royal Arch Masons." In his report, the Grand Chaplain reported that a total of 59 companions plus 9 Grand Chapter Officers (from 8 Chapters) attended the said Sunday Services.

Of interest, information came to the Grand High Priest that a member of a Royal Arch Chapter in Missouri had done time in prison in Queensland, had been expelled (given a five-year suspension) from Masonry by the United Grand Lodge of Queensland, and upon his release from prison, became a member of Royal Arch Masonry. The Grand Master was powerless to do anything, and the Supreme Grand First Principal of Royal Arch Masons in Queensland would not talk about it. With this information in hand, the Grand High Priest of Missouri advised the Grand Secretary of R.A.M. of Queensland of Missouri's membership requirements, and "with Regret Terminated Recognition of the Grand Chapter R A M, Queensland." The story has a happy ending. The Grand Chapter of Queensland changed the appropriate portion of its Constitution to read, "All Members of Chapters within the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Queensland must be Financial Members of a Craft Lodge and must remain so in order to maintain Chapter Membership." After further correspondence back and forth, the Grand High Priest was satisfied with the action taken by Queensland, and withdrew and rescinded his "Withdrawal of Recognition".

An excellent "Oration" was given by one Louis E. Starrh, Orator on the attributes of 'CHARACTER". It is too lengthy to be reproduced here, but can be found on page 16 of Missouri's Proceedings.

The Grand Lecturer reported that the condition of the ritualistic work in Nevada "varies from very good to pathetic... particularly in the opening and closing of a Chapter. The situation of a Chapter opening only three times in a year can only cause a steady decline in the proficiency of its officers."

NEW BRUNSWICK – 1991

The 104th Annual Convocation was held at the Masonic Temple, Sussex, New Brunswick on June 15th, 1991. A Past First Principal of Carleton Chapter #16 of Ottawa represented our Grand Jurisdiction.

Prior to this the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick "assembled in joint Special Grand Convocation with the Grand Royal Arch Masons of the State of Maine" at the Masonic Temple in Bangor, Maine on October 27th, 1990. At this Convocation, the Grand Officers of New Brunswick assumed the stations, and a Lodge of Most Excellent Masters was conducted by the Officers of New Brunswick, at which time the said Degree was exemplified. Following the closing, a banquet and sing song closed the evening.

NEW HAMPSHIRE – 1991

The 172nd Annual Convocation was held at Portsmouth, New Hampshire on May 11th, 1991.

It is interesting to note that at this Grand Convocation, not every guest gets a chance to speak. There is a "Speaker for the Guests", a "Speaker for the Scottish Rite", a "Speaker for the General Grand Chapter", etc.

The speaker for the General Grand Chapter spoke on the "Royal Arch Research Center" located in Fort Collins, Colorado. He pointed out that in Connecticut there is a "Three Sixty-five Club... We have a dues card for it, and it reads, Companion, (and his name), is a member in good standing of the Three Sixty-five Club of Connecticut for the year 1991, Royal Arch Research Assistance. A penny a day, for $3.65 they become a member of the Three Sixty-five Club. And this is repeated every year." He then related the following story:

> "A farmer went out into the field where his son was working, trying to remove a large stone. The son was all in a sweat, had been struggling with that stone. The farmer said to him, you can't remove that stone, because you're not using all your strength. Well the son, somewhat exasperated at that remark, he redoubled his efforts, and went at that stone with all of his might. He couldn't budge it.
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> The farmer sat there and watched him. And his son was just struggling so hard, with that stone. And then he said to his son again, you see son, you can't remove that stone, because you're not using all of your strength. My son, you're not using all of your strength, because you have not asked me to help you."

The Grand Master of New Hampshire gave an excellent talk on 'fundraising', but due to its length cannot be reproduced here. However, it runs from pages 133 to 136 in the New Hampshire Proceedings.

NEW YORK – 1991

The 194th Annual Convocation was held at Albany, New York on March 1st and 2nd, 1991.

The Grand High Priest, in his opening address, reported that 42 – $500.00 Scholarships had been granted. However, he was distressed by feedback that a couple of the students had their college scholarships reduced by $500.00 by the colleges, which "is truly unfortunate, as it may leave some hard feelings against Grand Chapter." From this and other Proceedings, it would appear that $500.00 seems to be the minimum amount awarded to a student.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, in his report, stated that in "each of the past two years we have seen the birth of a new Chapter in our jurisdiction... I have talked to Companions that have said, 'Nobody wants to join Masonry anymore', yet I have talked to Companions that have brought in ten and twelve petitions themselves. I have heard Companions say, 'We can't get enough to open', and yet I read reports from District Deputy Grand High Priests that say some Chapters are averaging 26 and 28 out to a meeting... Those of us in the Chapters that have problems getting new members, conferring degrees and getting enough to open must be willing to learn from those that are making things happen."

The Deputy Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York spoke of the membership at large, stating that "92% of the membership are followers of a leader. The other 8% are leaders. We as Masons should get over the apathy of saying that this must change and become better. We should stand up and show the leaders that we are backing them 100% in all of the work. That we will try to reactivate those brothers who have drifted away from our organization and our teaching of friendship and brotherly love."

The "Committee on the Royal Arch Section, Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library & Museum" reported "continuing intensive use of the educational programs offered by the Royal Arch Library and Museum; the Royal Arch Reading Courses, the Books-by-Mail Program, the Chapter Historical Files, The Royal Arch Permanent Exhibits, the Research Collections, and the Royal Arch Educational Materials", not to mention the videotape program which is becoming very popular, thanks to a growing number of good quality Masonic educational videotapes. The Committee states that it is "on the firing line. We are called upon to present the proper image of our Fraternity to the general public as well as to our own members. All our efforts are directed at projecting the kind of positive image that encourages esteem for the Masonic Fraternity and attracts approving attention to all Masonic undertakings."

The Grand High Priest, in his message, compared our Fraternity to a house. "It is only as strong as the material from which it is built... Like the foundation and room of a building, (our Fraternity) does require work to maintain it in good order... It isn't something that is build and then expected to stand on its own. If we believe in the principles of Free Masonry then let us live them.. Lets put back into the Fraternity at least as much as we take out of it... So Companions let's not wait for the foundation to crumble and erode away, let's make some repairs. Go out and seek members, let each of us go out and bring in at least one new member. Just think, 'EACH ONE GET ONE'. What a turn around we could make in this Fraternity of our if each of us were to do that.

In conclusion, the Grand High Priest spoke on the subject of Youth Organizations. "These organizations are not unlike our own Fraternity in that they don't meet just for the

sake of meeting. Each of them has a purpose and each of them are meeting that they might help make this world a better place to live in." He pointed out that these organizations "represent the future of this world... These are the future businessmen and women, the future senators and representatives and yes even possibly the future President. they aren't asking much from us either. All they ask is that we give them a chance to learn and to grow in a world free from fear and free from war and starvation. A chance to go to school and learn, that they might be as good a citizen as they can be... they don't ask for much, just the support of this Grand Chapter in giving them the guidance that they require. Please do all you can in assisting our Youth Committee when they ask for your help."

NORTH DAKOTA – 1990

The 101st Annual Convocation was held at Fargo, North Dakota on March 29th, 1990. Two of our Companions represented our Grand Jurisdiction at this Convocation.

The Grand High Priest, in his address, on the subject of the universal decline in membership, pointed out that "Visitation (to Chapters) by staff members of the Grand Line Officers is indeed desirable and commendable to the Chapters. But this, in itself, is hardly more than a pat on the back. The Chapter and its Companions must research the problem, set the goals, get back to the basics, and go to work. Look to the future and start now to grasp what is yours." He recommended, amongst other things, that: (1) "every member purchase 'Paid Up Life Membership' in your York Rite Bodies"; (2) "Attend, and work, in your Blue Lodge"; and (3) "Have a decisive approach to the recruitment of candidates." In his conclusion he offered this challenge: "Dream big – not too small; plan much – not less; and may your errors be of commission – not omission."

OHIO – 1990

The 174th Annual Convocation was held at Columbus, Ohio on October 3rd and 4th, 1990.

It is interesting to note that this Grand Jurisdiction, as in some others, sends out a small 25-page booklet-type Bulletin to each of its Chapters immediately after Grand Chapter, in which a brief synopsis of the Proceedings of Grand Chapter are set out. In the example reviewed, the Bulletin was dated October 10th, 1990, being 6 days after the close of Grand Chapter. On the cover of the Bulletin is the following statement: "This Bulletin is to reviewed in each constituent chapter at the first stated convocation after its receipt."

In his address of welcome, the PGHP recounted the following story, which is worth repeating:

> "When I completed a speech not long ago, an elderly man hobbled up to me and said, "I didn't enjoy your speech. It was too loud." I said that I had wanted to be heard and perhaps I had talked a little loud. He said "And besides, you talked too long." I said that I had a message to deliver, and perhaps I had talked a little long. He said, "And anyway, you didn't say anything." Well just then the Chairman and another man rushed up, and as the other gentleman led the old man away the Chairman took me by the arm and said, "Don't pay any attention to that old man. He's 96 years old, doesn't know anything, and just repeats what he hears other people say."

For those in the Fraternity who do not see the value of computers, the "Finance Committee" reported, with respect to the $27,000.00 cost of Ritual printing, that thanks to the Grand Chapter's computer and the fact that the Grand Secretary "was able to use the computer more efficiently than planned", a savings of $1,900.00 was realized. "Also the Grand Secretary did the entire revision of the Secretary's Manual with no outside printing costs at all. By more expanded use of the computer he has been able to save the Grand Chapter considerable." In addition, this Committee "approved the purchase of a Hewlett-Packard Laserjet III (laser) printer with which the Grand Secretary can prepare more nearly-professional master copies of various forms, etc. for reproduction and avoid still more printing costs. It is hoped and expected that more expanded uses will be developed for it in the future."

The Grand Secretary went on to report that "most of our publications are now prepared on the computer for printing, eliminating a second typing by the printer for typesetting. This speeds up printing jobs from our Printer (we can get our Annual Proceedings out within 3 months of the session). And it not only speeds things up, but it saves labor and costs. This was especially effective in the recent printing of our Ritual... the monetary savings here alone was several times the cost of the equipment."

A list was provided in these Proceedings of the Books, Manuals, Films, Slides, Musical Tapes, Pamphlets, etc. that are available to the constituent Chapters from the Grand Secretary's Office.

As in other Grand Jurisdictions, the "Committee on Masonic Education" has developed a Chapter Education Officers and District Education Officers Manual" that details the responsibilities and duties of each group. Also included is a complete candidate counselling program.

The "Symbolic Lodge Liaison Committee" stated that "Where our Chapters and Lodges co-exist, there must be support, mutual respect, cooperation and, most especially, harmony, for "Harmony is the strength and support of all institutions."

The "Committee on Public Relations" pointed out the advantages of calling members that do not regularly attend, and urged the Companions to "tell your Brother Masons that you are a Royal Arch Mason and to show that you are proud to be one by the jewelry you wear. Support your symbolic lodge by your attendance at its meetings as well as at functions where the ladies are invited."

The General Grand Scribe of RAM International reported that Charters were issued recently to 6 new Chapters in South and Central America. The Grand Chapter of Spain was recently welcomed into the General Grand Chapter. Conversations are in progress with Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia.

The "Committee on the Royal Arch Mason Magazine" suggested that "constituent Chapters consider presenting to each newly exalted Companion a one-year subscription to the Royal Arch Mason Magazine. This provides the candidate with a little 'something extra' in addition to the degree work, and lets the candidate know that the Chapter is indeed interested in his quest for Masonic knowledge."

The "Youth Committee" reported that "Those young people who are leading their respective groups are giving a first class accounting of themselves. They are doing this in the

face of many adversities, peer pressure being one of the greatest of these. For a youth, peer pressure is particularly important, It is not always easy to say and do the right thing in the face of peer pressure. It is not easy for many to just say 'NO'... Time "is needed the most of all those elements essential in making these organizations grow in strength and enjoy membership gains again. My time – your time – Time at the state level – Time at district levels – Time at the Chapter level." The Committee expressed "a deep sense of gratitude to all of those dedicated adults who give of their time, talents and monies to help our young people."

OHIO – 1991

The 175th Annual Convocation was held at Columbus, Ohio on October 2nd and 3rd, 1991. One of our Companions from Ottawa, representing our Grand Chapter, was in attendance.

The Grand Master of the Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio spoke on the need for leadership in our various Masonic Bodies, both at the local and the Grand Body level. He stated that programs of Grand Lodge in the past "have been very successful in those lodges which had the leadership to implement the programs... but in other lodges, nothing happened." He goes on to say that "We can talk all we will, we can put forth all the rhetoric of how good and great we are, but we are only as good and as great as our thoughts and our actions. We have done some great things, but we can do better. We must do better!"

The Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio, the Honorable Vernal G. Riffe, Jr. addressed the Companions, telling them how proud he is to be a Mason, and for the honor of being the Speaker of the House longer than anyone else in the history of Ohio. He stated that his "theory in holding office has always been that the bottom line of what I am charged with is to help people. Government is charged with helping people. I believe that any public official who is elected to serve office is charged with helping people. These are things that I remember more than anything in my life as a public official. But in doing that I always go back and remember how I was taught by family and Masonry – truth, honesty and fairness." Even though he is not a Royal Arch Mason, he expressed his desire to become a member of "this great fraternity."

In observance of the 175th Anniversary of the Grand Chapter, the Grand Historian presented " A Short History of the Grand Chapter of Ohio 1816-1991" which covers some 9 pages of the proceedings (pages 37 – 46).

On the subject of 'Bible Markers', the "Committee on Masonic Education" decided that 'Bible markers', listing the verses used in the Chapter degrees, should be given to all candidates, and that the program should be expanded state-wide. 5,000 sets were made, and initial distribution was made to the District Deputy Grand High Priests in August of 1991, to be forwarded to the Chapter Education Officers and Candidate Counselors. "The markers will give the candidate a better understanding of each degree, and most especially, will encourage our candidates to look into the 'Great Light of Freemasonry.'"

The "Youth Committee", in its report, quoted John Robinson, author of 'Born in Blood', as saying at one of his programs, "I'm tired of hearing about Freemasonry losing membership. If each Mason would but have his own sons and relatives join, there would be no loss of membership." The Committee pointed out that the same applies to our own Fraternity. It goes on to suggest that each Chapter by itself, or with other Chapters, plan a visit with the youth groups in their area. "Invite them to your meetings and ask them to pre-

sent a program for you. We would encourage District Associations to do the same. Give the young people a forum in which to present themselves. You might even present a program of your own, telling them about Freemasonry and Royal Arch Masonry."

The "Ohio Masonic Home Trustees" reported that the cost basis of the Endowment Fund as of June 30, 1991 was almost $75.6 million, and that further construction in 'Masonic Square' has taken place, "with 32 units now being complete, or nearly so, in the Extended Living section. The ones still vacant are rapidly being bought by our Brethren.

The Grand Historian reported that five Chapters have committed themselves to writing their histories this year, and that the number of histories completed so far is 85.

The report of the "Grand Fraternal Correspondent" is well worth reading, but due to its length, cannot be reproduced here. However, it can be found in the Ohio Proceedings from pages 87 – 95.

OKLAHOMA – 1990

The 101st Annual Convocation was held at Norman, Oklahoma on April 23 and 24th, 1990.

The "Centennial Committee", created for the purpose of planning a meaningful celebration of one hundred years of York Rite Masonry in Oklahoma, reported that it was decided "to honor this historic occasion with a Gala Banquet and Festival featuring a nationally known person as the principal candidate. Brother Roy L. Clark, star of the TV series 'Hee Haw', consented to be the candidate for the Festival, which was held in Tulsa on February 24, 1990... A special 1 9/16" diameter silver Centennial Commemorative coin had been struck for this occasion, with Roy Clark's image on one side and the York Rite Emblem on the reverse, proclaiming 'One Hundred Years of York Rite Masonry in Oklahoma – 1890-1990'." There were 167 candidates at this event. A photo of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark, and of the band which played at the 'Roy Clark Centennial Banquet' were both printed in the Proceedings. Needless to say, this was a major event in the life of the Oklahoma Fraternity, of which they are very proud.

The "Committee on Charters and Dispensations" reported that one Chapter comprised of 19 members, did 28 Exaltations during the year, three Chapters consolidated with Chapters nearest their location, and that no Charters were picked up or issued.

PENNSYLVANIA – 1990

During this Grand Chapter's 195th year, the March Communication was held at the Masonic Temple, Lansdale, Pennsylvania on March 10th, 1990, the September Communication was held at the Masonic Temple, Erie Pennsylvania on September 8th, 1990, and the December Annual Communication was held at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on December 6th, 1990. We might point out that the cover on the Grand Proceedings book is truly magnificent, and "a sight to behold."

The Grand High Priest, in his address to the Companions, reported that the Grand Chapter's membership records are now computerized, and that "we have reclaimed the power to warrant Lodges of Mark Master Masons and made other changes to the Constitution of Grand Chapter which were needed to strengthen both Grand Chapter and the Subordinate Chapters." He reported that "most of our Chapters which needed to do so have

taken positive measures to improve their financial stature... These Chapters did, however, raise their dues and should be stronger for having done so. We can only hope that for some it has been done in time to stave off disaster. For those which should have, but have not taken such action, I can only hope that they soon realize that the eleventh hour has arrived. Not all Chapters that fail do so for reasons related to money... a lack of attendance and an even more dangerous lack of Companions who are willing to work and to accept the responsibility of serving as officers of their Chapters also cause mergers or surrender of warrants. Our surviving Chapters must be selective in their candidates, placing emphasis on recruiting workers who approach their membership with enthusiasm. It will require conscious effort by each Companion to promote an active membership... We have heard it said many times that Masonry sells itself too cheaply. I believe it is only too true. We value most those things that do not come too easily or cheaply. A re-assessment of our worth is in order, regarding both entrance into our Capitular Masonry and what we offer in return. We must be attractive to those who should enter or ranks or they will pass us by. The re-assessment must, for the most part, be done by the individual Chapters using local considerations." He points out that what may work in one locale may not work in another.

The "Committee on Membership" reported that it had instituted a 'Big Ten Award' "for those Companions who are first line signers on ten petitions in a designated period. The award is a clock with Capitular emblems and Grand Chapter designation."

The "Correspondence Committee" reported that there are slightly more than 400,000 Royal Arch Masons in the world. It reported that the number of Life Membership programs are on the rise. It was noted that Nebraska has enrolled 12% of their membership in this program.

The Grand High Priest-Elect, in his address, stated that his motto or theme for his upcoming two years in office will be "Membership Has Its Privileges" – not the privileges associated with the credit card carried in your wallet, but the privileges of membership in Capitular Masonry. "This theme will be used for a two-fold purpose. The first is to reverse the steady loss in membership... Membership programs can be drawn up and presented, but will remain only as words on paper unless you are willing to dedicate yourself to making the program a success." The second purpose of the theme "will be directed at retaining our current membership and increasing attendance at Stated Chapter Meetings." He states that when a brother is exalted, he is told, "You are now entitled to all rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry and will be seated with your Companions." In this area, he points out, "is where we fall short in our duties. We must make sure he understands these rights and privileges or he may never again return to his Chapter to be seated with his Companions. Our Monthly Notice should be one of our most valuable working tools. But, how are we using this tool? Does the information contained in your monthly notice provide an incentive for you to attend your Stated Meeting? Is there a program of interest to you? Is there a message from your High Priest?"

QUEBEC – 1991

The 114th Annual Convocation was held at Montreal, Quebec on June 5th, 1991. Our Grand First Principal was in attendance at this Convocation.

The Grand First Principal, in his address to the Companions, commented on the loss of membership which "continues to plague us." He stated that the Masonic Renewal Task Force in the United States, comprised of sixteen masonic leaders, has listed the top four reasons for

lack of interest: 61% – too busy; 56% – other recreational activities; 52% – work too demanding; 49% – takes time from family. The survey revealed that "70% of the profane did not know about us. The average age of members is 61 or older and 26% are 70 or older. 60% of the members have been masons for over 20 years and only 8% have been members 5 years or less. The Task Force survey shows that 18% of the membership attended lodge regularly and 87% were generally satisfied with being a mason and 94% say it gives a meaning and perspective to life, 92% say it provides moral, ethical development while 86% say it is an opportunity to socialize with friends and form new friendships. The survey concludes that masonry has adopted a value system that is different from the value system of most North Americans."

The Grand First Principal goes on to state that "Even though change is the order of the day, as master masons we're committed to a masonic heritage that stands firm for those basic and unchanging building blocks of life – the fundamental ethical and moral values. Describe our fraternity any way you choose but, when you get down to the fundamentals, that is what masonry is all about. It is this unalterable dedication to unchangeable values that fuels our unique believe that the message of our Freemasonry must be passed from man to man. To put it as simply as possible, Freemasonry is heartfelt. Our fraternity is alive only to the extent that we are actively communicating the message from one to another. In other words, there's only one place to find Freemasonry and that's inside a man! this is our fraternity's greatest strength because it emphasizes the fact that all the trappings, all the offices, all the jewels, all the honours, all the recognition, all the external symbols, all the activities are unimportant and meaningless compared to the masonry in a man's heart. My point is this: It is high time for us to realize that if Freemasonry is going to have the future it deserves, you and I must get over the idea that changing the way we do things is in any way a betrayal of our fraternity. In reality, just the opposite is true!" He then lists what he believes are steps that must be taken immediately in order to ensure the survival of Freemasonry:

(1) We must become far more innovative and creative in our programs;
(2) We must take a much more serious look at our long range plans and goals;
(3) We must begin measuring the results of our efforts;
(4) We must establish solid performance standards at every level;
(5) We must become more effectively organized;
(6) We must open wide the door of leadership to capable, enthusiastic younger and newer members.

He goes on to state that "we should be invigorated by the new vistas that are now open before us, the possibilities which are ours, and the unusual opportunity to do more for Freemasonry. But a word of caution – unless we start now to implement the future needs of Freemasonry there may be reason to question the depth of our commitment to the fraternity. The future of Freemasonry lies now in our hands. I would hope that it will never be said sometime in the distant future that our fraternity failed due to lack of contributions of leadership in our time."

The "Committee on the State of the Order" said "COMMUNICATE or PERISH! This is the title of an article on marriage, but it could equally apply to Freemasonry. We must NOT hide our light under a bushel. People must have the opportunity of knowing who and what we are." They pointed out that through immigration, hundreds of potential members have come to Montreal "from societies in which Freemasonry is not part of their culture. These men know nothing about our Orders, but many would make outstanding members of the Craft, the Royal Craft, and other associated bodies. There is no need to change our message as portrayed over the years. There is a need to change the method of communicating the message."

The Committee asks the question – "Whose job is it to lead our masonic organizations? Is it the Grand First Principal, the Worshipful Master, the Potentate, the Grand Master, the Presiding Preceptor, the Sovereign Grand Commander? Who is responsible? Does the individual member have any responsibility? Who do you think has a responsibility for leadership and management of our fraternal craft? What would you expect to do if you were to serve in a role of leadership?"

The title of Past Master, Past Grand First Principal, Past Grand Master, or Past Whatever all have one thing in common – they are not honourary titles. The title 'Past' is expected to be an earned title – earned by support and leadership in a dedicated and meaningful way. Therefore, the most important item on the agenda of a presiding officer should be to aid in the selection and training of future leaders. Ladder promotions are not the answer. Service should not be for the honours; service should be for the love of our fellow man and to be a part of the continuing enrichment offered by the principles and purposes of our Craft."

You have an important part of that service. Yes, YOU have an important part in our fraternity. As a member, you have a role in the leadership of your Chapter and Lodge. Every member is involved in giving direction to his Chapter and our Royal Craft. A failure to participate is the same as an officer accepting installation and then quietly waiting for a past-officer jewel. For too long men have said, "There is nothing I would not do for the Order" and then proceed to do nothing. Leadership is everyone's job."

We, as Freemasons and Companions, should be the uncommon men; we must take time to be builders of a better world for all mankind. We do have individual responsibility for our Orders and membership is everybody's job. Each one of us is a leader in the direction Masonry and Royal Arch Masonry will take. A Grand Presiding Officer is a very lonely person without your help. They need you to do your part. They ask not that we follow them, but rather that we walk together into the future, planning and working together to give the direction and leadership needed. We must all get in step for the rewarding journey into the future of Freemasonry in all its aspects."

The "Ad Hoc Committee on Long Range Planning" reports that "In checking out methods that some of the North American jurisdictions use to entire new members into craft masonry, from which we draw our membership, we note that many have used public television in seeking applicants, open installations, and many other means."

SASKATCHEWAN – 1991

The 68th Annual Convocation was held at Kindersley, Saskatchewan on May 30th, 1991.

The Grand First Principal, in his address, reported that the number of Districts in the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan were reduced from five to four over the past year. He stated that his theme for as Grand First Principal had been "Image and Understanding". "The teachings of Royal Arch Masonry give us a moral code to live by. It is up to us as members to understand these teachings and to project to others an image of sincerity and good will." He quotes Dwight L. Smith, PGM of Indiana, as follows, "When men are interested in the work of an organization, they will be on hand to participate in its program. When there is nothing that interests them, they will not be there no matter how much we may nag. Make no mistake about it: Intelligent men are not going to spend their evenings hearing the minutes and read the bills allowed. Ham sandwiches and pie on paper plates will not induce them to come

more than once." As a solution to this problem, he then quotes M. Ex. Comp. Johnson from his address to the Royal Arch Convocation in Moose Jaw, 1937: "The future of Masonry, if it is to have a future worthy of its past, will be determined by its historic genius and purpose, not in slavish adherence to detail, but by loyal and constructive obedience to its peculiar Spirit and Tenets. Otherwise our Lodges and Chapters will become mere Clubs, like a thousand other such organizations – useful in their degree, but in no ways distinctive – far removed from the original meaning and intent of the Craft."

The Grand First Principal goes on to quote Sir Francis Bacon: "If we are to achieve results never before accomplished, we must expect to employ methods never before attempted." He concludes by saying, "Companions, if you like what we have, be prepared to see our membership cut in half in the next few years. I believe that what made Masonry great in the beginning will work for us today. Let us return to our roots and rebuild."

In his report, the Grand Historian remarks that "At present, eligible young men are so involved in the current demands of affluent living that they have little energy left for Masonic activities. Many of them live as Masons; but do not have time to participate in a Masonic Lodge. However, in the course of time, they may find the flurry of affluent living somewhat lacking in personal satisfaction and will seek the fundamental value system of Masonry that is not likely to vanish from the Tracing Board of Life. Then Masonry will welcome them."

The "Committee on Grand Z's Address" remarked that, "One man living a Brotherly life is worth a thousand lectures on Brotherhood."

TENNESSEE – 1990

The 161st Annual Convocation was held at Nashville, Tennessee on March 26th, 1990.

The Acting Grand High Priest, with reference to the net loss of membership in the Grand Chapter, stated in his report that "Being a Secretary of a Chapter, I contacted each of the members it lost due to NPD. I did find deep apathy for the order from these members, who verbally expressed no desire to continue their membership... Somehow, these members lost interest very soon after they received the degrees. Maybe it was because of a lack of empathy among those who conferred the work. How many of our Chapters can confer the Capitular degrees without an opened ritual?... I ask each of us to reevaluate our commitments to the fraternity, and let each of us work harder to improve our relations to our membership as a whole."

VICTORIA – 1990 and 1991

Quarterly Convocations of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria were held at the Masonic Centre, East Melbourne, Australia on July 18th and October 17th, 1990, and on January 16th, 1991.

The First Grand Principal, in his Communication on July 18th, 1990, stated that, "Unfortunately we still have too many pessimists in our ranks. Those who see no future for Freemasonry or are dissatisfied with the rewards they have received from it. Let me say that those who look for and expect rewards, whether by way of Grand Rank or otherwise, are destined by the nature of the organization to be disappointed. Those who look to take will get only what they take, those who give will receive unexpected treasures. The Sojourners of our story looked only to give their service and what exciting rewards they earned for them-

selves and for all their Companions, the rediscovery of the genuine secrets. The only way to find the true secret of Freemasonry is to be a giver."

In his Communication on October 17th, 1990, the First Grand Principal reminded the Companions that "Whilst we are all saddened to lose any Chapter and whilst the decisions are often difficult and heart-wrenching we must realistically face the challenges with which our present situation confronts us. We need the strongest possible structure for the benefit of the Order in general and the welfare of each individual Companion and if this means that our present membership cannot maintain all the existing Chapters then we must face this fact and act accordingly. A strategic withdrawal and regrouping often provides the basis for a bold new attack."

In his Communication on January 16th, 1991, the First Grand Principal stated that "The challenge to us in these times is to be aware of the needs of our Brethren and to be prepared to accept the challenge of our teachings and live our beliefs. We can always find someone to give us advice but it is difficult to find someone who will really listen and empathise with us." He goes on to state, "I am sometimes disturbed by those who seek recognition or acknowledgment or who covet promotion in Grand Rank. Whilst we are all human and appreciate recognition of our work I believe that all of our Masonic teachings are directed toward establishing a right relationship with ourselves and learning to accept ourselves as we are. Once we have learnt to build on our strengths and to modify our weaknesses but to be content with what we are, we have achieved the first part of the grand design of Freemasonry – to be happy. From this secure foundation we can reach out to establish a right relationship with the TALGMH and with our Companions and thus achieve the second part of the grand design – communicating happiness to others."

It is my belief that the achievement of these relationships is developed by encouraging Companions to participate in their Freemasonry, whether in ritual, in discussion, in administration, or in social activities. Participation to me is more important than having the most efficient administration or the perfect rendition of our ritual, and the encouragement of others is more rewarding than the acknowledgment of our own service."

Treat each Companion as if he is important, as if his opinion counts and as if he is someone whose presence is always welcome. This should not be too hard a task for us, for it is exactly the way we each want to be treated ourselves."

VIRGINIA – 1990

The 183rd Annual Convocation was held at Williamsburg, Virginia on November 16th and 17th, 1990.

A short fascinating history of the Grand Chapter of Virginia, from December 22nd, 1753 to the present time, was set out at the beginning of the Proceedings.

In his remarks, on the subject of declining membership, the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia read the following poem "by one of our Masonic Brothers", Edgar Guest:

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.

So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried he hit it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;
At least no one ever had done it";
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.
With a life of his chin and a bit of a grin,
Without any doubtin or quiddit.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you one by one,
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Just take off your coat and go to it;
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing
that "cannot be done," and you do it.

In his report, the Grand Lecturer stated, "It always saddens me when one chapter merges with another. Seldom is anything gained by this action, only a loss of membership. Just check the Proceedings for a few years and you will find a very, very small percentage of the members of the merging chapter still on the books after 5 or 6 years. Let's put a stop to this loss."

The Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Virginia and Secretary General of Southern Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite, in his remarks to the Companions, stated that at the end of World War II, thanks to the actions of Hitler and Mussolini, Masonry was put into darkness. "After World War II, President Truman, through the Masonic Service Association, appointed a committee to go to Europe and see just what was happening and had happened to Masonry. The report was devastating. Our Masonic Brethren were put to death, their resources were confiscated, all lodge property was confiscated and Masonry was in a turmoil... Masonry is now coming back. The most exciting thing happened last year. Masonry is relighting its lights in Eastern Europe."

He goes on to list the advances being made in Eastern Europe – the Lodges coming into existence in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, and Rumania... (However) Masonry has to rekindle its own light here. Those of you who remember the cartoon Pogo remember his remarks "we are surrounded by the enemy and the enemy is us." My Brethren I do not hear non-masons downgrading the befallen position of Masonry. Masonry is criticized only by Masons themselves. We have to get off that route. We have to be enthusiastic about our Masonry so that it will always assume its rightful place in the world. We have to resume our role of leaders. Years ago Masonic membership was a political asset. Today, unfortunately, it is a political liability. In the early 1940's over 50 U.S. Senators out of 96 were Masons. Today less than 10. The Supreme Court had five Masons out of its nine members. Today none."

My brethren, we have to become involved in our communities as Masons so that we can once again be identified with the American way of life. I urge all of you to get involved in your communities because you are the leaders of Masonry and you know what Masonry is all about. We need involvement such as we are having today. Take the message of this Grand Chapter back home and work toward its greatness."

In his Acceptance Speech, the Grand High Priest stated that the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Virginia "will have its own Navy this Capitula year and will be launching its armada of ships. The keel for these ships has been laid by the Royal Arch Masons of Virginia with our Past Grand High Priests at the helm as overseers. The District Deputies are now asked to join the Grand High Priest and the other Grand Officers on the bridge of the flagship to assist in providing guidance in establishing our targets and carrying out our mission – to improve the Grand Chapter of Virginia through expanded membership, enhanced leadership, increased donorship and shared fellowship. Thus our Fleet of ships:
1. Membership 2. Leadership 3. Donorship 4. Fellowship"

Many reefs and obstacles have obstructed and continue to block our chartered course – such as apathy even by some of our own companions, criticism even by religious elements and competition of modern assessabilities such as television, sports and the multitude and variety of volunteer organizations all seeking a piece of man's time. Working together we can overcome these obstacles. In the words of our famed Brother and Admiral David G. Farragut, "Damn the torpedoes. Full speed ahead."

Of interest, the Grand Chapter of Virginia has a "Mental Health Committee", but no report was given at Grand Chapter, and we have no idea what the purpose of this Committee may be.

In conclusion, the Chairman on the Committee on Fraternal Relations, gave an excellent 15 page report entitled "Gems from the Quarries of Royal Arch Masonry. This report is too lengthy to be reproduced here, but can be found on pages 87 – 102 of the Grand Proceedings.

WYOMING – 1990

The 82nd Annual Communication was held at Douglas, Wyoming on September 15th, 1990, in conjunction with the Annual Convention of the Holy Order of High Priesthood, the M.I. Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming, and the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Wyoming.

If it is one thing that the Grand Proceedings of Wyoming will be remembered for, it will be for its stories. Almost every Speaker had an entertaining story to tell. The Proceedings are well worth reading, for they are probably nothing like you have ever read before.

The Grand Master of Wyoming reported that this fall, through the generosity of the Scottish Rite Masons of Wyoming, a series of tapes will be played on the air. They are commercial advertisements, "talking about all of the Masonic family, Blue Lodge, York Rite, Scottish Rite, Eastern Star and the Youth Groups."

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

In 1991 two applications were received for benevolence. Both were found deserving and awards were made in the amount of $450.00 in the spring and the same amount of $450.00 in the fall. Total awards amounted to $1,800.00 for the year.

Since our 133rd. Convocation in 1991 at Niagara Falls your Committee has received three applications for benevolence. Two of the requests are ongoing from widows of deceased Companions. The third is a first time request.

We have made awards totalling $1,350.00 for distribution this Spring of 1992 and we have reserved a further $1,350.00 for the December distribution.

This Committee stands ready at all times to deal with emergency requests. Applications should be sent to the office of the Grand Scribe E.

The outstanding efforts of the Companions of Hiawatha Chapter # 252, Mount Sina Chapter # 212 and Wawanosh Chapter # 15 continue to set examples in our jurisdiction.

We believe many of our Companions or their families are reluctant to make their problems known and apply for assistance. It should be clearly pointed out that information on the benevolence application is absolutely confidential and strictly private.

To better service our Companions and their dependents, we suggest the following:

1: On the District level, each Superintendent shall appoint a District Chairman of Benevolence.
2: It will be the duty of the District Chairman to have each Chapter appoint a Chairman of Benevolence for the Chapter who will better service their members.

The Grand Chapter Benevolence Committee will meet with the District Chairman to monitor our progress.

The original Victory Thanksgivings Benevolent Fund was started in 1946 at the suggestion of Most Excellent Companion Clarence Pitts. This was the forerunner of the present Benevolence Committee.

The fund was started to insure in future years that those entitled to Masonic assistance would be protected by a fund raised by Grand Chapter. The object of the fund was to raise $50,000.00. The principal to be invested in safe securities and the interest derived to used for benevolence.

At this time we do not have a nomination to the Committee and reserve the right to present a nomination to the Grand First Principal at a future date.

Respectfully submitted

M.Ex.Comp. Aube Weisman
R.Ex.Comp. J. Max Laushway
V.Ex.Comp. Lyle James, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Aube Weisman this report be received and adopted. Carried.

GRAND CHAPTER SUSPENDS LABOUR

The Grand First Principal directed that the Grand Chapter be called from labour to refreshment at 4:00 p.m. for the purposes of electing the Officers of Grand Chapter

GRAND CHAPTER ANNUAL BANQUET

The Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline presided at the Grand Chapter Annual Banquet in the Main Ball Room of the Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel Rexdale. The usual toasts were honoured, followed by entertainment and dancing.

GRAND CHAPTER RESUMED

Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labour on Thursday April 16, 1992, at 9.00a.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF SCRUTINEERS

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee of Scrutineers take great pleasure in presenting the results of the election, held on Wednesday, April 15, 1992.

For Grand First Principal "Zerubbabel":	R.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson Acc.
For Grand Second Principal "Haggai":	R.Ex.Comp. Alan F. Walker Acc.
For Grand Third Principal " Joshua":	R.Ex.Comp. R. Frank Russell Acc.
For Grand Principal Sojourner:	Ex.Comp. D. Gillis
For Grand Scribe Nehemiah:	Ex.Comp. James H. Hutchinson
For Grand Registrar:	Ex.Comp. William D. Best Acc.
For Grand Executive Committee:	Rt.Ex.Comp. Gorden Sinclair
	Rt.Ex.Comp. Donald Gent
	Rt.Ex.Comp. Donald P. LaMontont
	Rt.Ex.Comp. Donald King
	Rt.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner

It was moved by V.Ex.Comp. Percy Emslie, seconded by V.Ex.Comp. Sven Nielson that this report be received and adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada ion the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to submit the following report.

No. of Chapters represented by Officers	65
No. of Chapters represented by Proxy	27
No. of Chapters represented by P.Z.s only	25
No. of Chapters represented	114
No. of Chapters not represented	31
No. of Delegates present	372
Total Number of Votes	604

It was moved by V.Ex.Comp. Sven Nielson, seconded by V.Ex.Comp. Percy Emslie that this report be received and carried. Carried

DELEGATES PRESENT

1. – J.G. Langton, A.W. Holton, D. Dale, R. Pickell, W. Lutes, D.M.Smith, R.A.Paddle
2. – C. Lemmex, D. McGuigan, R.J. Hanna, F.D. Draker
3. – B.H. O'Neil, J.P. Smuck, A. Smuck, A. Smith, D.Banks, W. Macrow, F. Cotton, D. Slater
4. – G.J. Bradshaw, P. Emslie, J.V. Lawer, W.H. Newton, J.C. Lyhle, K.L. Bellamy
5. – R. Mortimer, H. Jackson
6. – L. Levitt
7. – D.R. Parkinson, E.C. Saigle, M. Allen, E. Gray
8. – J. Evans, R. Means, T.K. Douglas, P. Andres, W. Newton
15. – R.A. Cadwallader, D.J. Emerick, A.B. Begarnie, K. Bellamy
16. – R.F.E. Kempster, D.P. Smallman, M.W. Watling, M.J.S. Sastre, G.C. Fowlow,A.B.B. Sewell, C.J. Meunier, D.W. McDuffee
19. – W. Anderson, W. Klapatiuk, D. Laskey
23. – E. Cassidy
24. – B.A. Wickie, S.R. McTavish, W.J. O'Hara, B.A. Mennie
26. – K. Hutchinson, A.McDonald
27. – L. Hanske, F.R. Shannon, W.H. Downer
28. – F. Whalley, G. Robbins, W.E. MacKenzie, H.G. Clifford, R. McKelvie
29. – E. Cass, G. Deavu
31. – V. Striker, D.A. King, O. Reid
34. – E. Monkman, I. Montague, A. Andrews, M. Longford, C. Coursey, D. Watson, G. Roane
35. – E. Ounjian, R. Meens, W. Hoffman
36. – G. Harris. J.H. Hutchinson, V.E. Young, H. Hubbell, A. Mortlock
37. – M. Yeo
40. – M.Stewart, J. Byrom
41. – J.P. Bowman

DELEGATES PRESENT (continued)

44. – J. Troyer, E. Legeir, C.A. Markle, J. Wilbraham
46. – L. Muir, J.D. Muir, G. Towle, J. Puttock, R.F. Stewart, R. Stevenson
47. – J. Hannon, A. McGuire
48. – D. Ward
53. – B. Thompson, E. Hayes
54. – G.R. Jackson, G. Dennis, M.J. Brown, A.F. Harris, L. Marshalll, R. Jackson, C.A. Roberts
55. – R. Purney, J.M. Brown, S. Knox
57. – R. Wylie, D. Dayboll, J. Bye, R. Radford, R. Smallbone
59. – G. Todd, H. Snider
61. – H. Stanley, J.A. Seguin, M. Wright
63. – W. Arnold, G. Stewart
64. – B. Penwarden, C.R. Leudy
68. – G. Abbott, S. Leach
69. – A. Kofink, W. Claus
71. – M. Fletcher, R. Leniuk, R. Lofthouse, H. Carter, J. Lappage, L. Lajoie .
72. – A. Foote
73. – J.C. Lyttle
74. – F. Payne, D. Lamond, J. Howden, Peter
75. – R. Ford, D. Winkworth, E. Evans, P. Barr, F. Chisholm, E. Ramsbottom
77. – W.A. Rae, P.D. Park, R.G. Loftus, A. Lee, C.W. Emmett, N. Robertson
78. – K. Lacmer, H. Jamieson
79. – J. Reynolds, D. Niven, F. Garvin, C. Craig, R.K. Johnson, D.M. Martyn,
80 – W. Hoffman, W. Waldron, G.A. Vardy, J. Brentnell
81. – C. Roberts
82. – W.A. Cheetham, C.J. Miller
83. – J. Whitten, E. Patterson
84. – D. Dunbar, D. Cerson, S.J. Trapp
88. – H. Dunlop
90. – Ross Booth
91. – M.S. Black, G.B.L. Grant, F.C. Johns, C.A. Woolner
95. – G. Chambers, W.B. Walker
102 –G. Parsons, P. Hoeger
103 –R.D. McConkey, A.E. Grove
104 –E.D. Warren, W.S. Thomson, J. Shaw
110 –T. Smith, A. Bjerknes
113 –T.J. Ward, R. Suppes
117 –P.R. Borland, A.G. Wolfe, J.E. Welker, F.L. Barrett
119 –H. Coomber, D. Palmer, L. Hillman, W. Dales, B. Overholt, D. Robinson
130 –F. Richardson, O. Crozier, G. Lieshman, R. Taylor
131 –J. Ewing, R. Gates
133 –W.K. Porter, M.R. Rodgers, G.H. Patterson
135 –E. DeBeaupre
138 –G.T. Ferguson, V.D. Green, R. Doherty, J. Galarneau, P. Cleal, B.W. Spencer, S. Dick
140 –W.A. Cheetham
146 –B. Hastings, F. Hay
147 –G. Stewart
149 –J.F. Trenchard
150 –E.S.P. Carson, M.R. Muir, B.A. MacDonald, F.A. Standing, J.A.R. Attwood

DELEGATES PRESENT (continued)

152 –R. Booth
153 –P. Naylor
155 –B. Revill, D. Newton, R. Norsworthy, D. Mitchell, R. Hurst
167 –R.G.A. Mink, A.F. Walker, G. Hofman, E. Robertson, M. Lockhart
168 –J. Haig, R. Ballard, P. Andres
175 –A. Lister, T. Irwin, E. McGillivray, W. Holcombe, D.A. Rogers
184 –P. Murphy, G. Smith, T. Lillie, V. Wilson, K.J. Hooper, F.W.N. Ross
195 –L.O. Dawley, W. Hanna, R.F. Russell, B.S. Fowler, K. Flynn, W. Sproule, D. Laycock
198 –K. Joslin, H. Houben, D. Plant, C. Brittain, A. Settle, G. Evans, L.Pickering
205 –D.G. Hill, J.A. Bell, C.C. Mabley, G. Kerr, B.D. Stapley, N. Todd
210 –K.A. Sharp
212 –A.Malkow, W. Boston, A. Weisman
213 –D.J. Smith
214 –B. Dunlop, E. Gabriel, R. Swartz, B. Simpson, H. Oalhoun
215 –G. Stuart
217 –W. Mansfield, E. Hurst, R. Harrison, D. Will, E.W. Elcombe, C. Meldrum, C. Kerr, R. Whitmarsh, A. Roy, D. Gillis
218 –W. Harper, J. Mitchell
220 –F. Farid, C. Brodeur, G. Sinclair, J. Todd, D.F. Kline, R. Rigby, P. Hertell R. Watson, R. Falshaw, M. Duke, A. Donavon, P. MacGregor, E. Beam, J. Glass
222 –D.A. Godding, R.H.A. Bulbrook, O.G. Wickerson, R.V. Patterson,
223 –D.J. Smith
224.–.E. Burns, V. Ferguson, W. Goodfellow, S. Hay, G. Mountford
227 –C. Faulkner, A.K. Haines, W. Goodfellow, S. Hay, G. Mountford
230 –G. Carr, B. Holland, E. Carr
232 –J.L. Mellow, W. Edwards, H. Turner, W. Massey, C. Hill, G.P.R. Webster
233 –K. Whiting
234 –W. Goodman, J. Lilly, T. Massena
235 –E. Simon
236 –R. McClung
238 –W. Douglas, S. Nielsen, T. Johnson, W. McKay, J. Fulton, D. Thomson, J. Hessey
241 –V. Lombardo, D. Bee, E. Drew
243 –W. Best, J. Bull
245 –J.J. Bowman, H.D. Knox
247 –Leo. J. Gent, D.J. Gent
249 –J.L. Hartwell, G. McCormick, B.E. Markle, G. Thertell, L. Pridie, B. Bridges, M. MacKenzie
252 –G. O'Dell
257 –W.B. Walker
260 –G. Gahs, D. Ross, W. Mackie
262 –R. Binns, E. Clarke, N. Byrne, G. Stewart, J. Hobson, N. Husak
263 –A. Connelly, A.T. Singh
264 –J. Abbott, J.H. Graves, M.C. Murphy, H.J. Boos, B.M. Lopatriello
265 –M. Younie, I. Jess, D. Lamont, R. Carter
266 –W.A. Cheetham
267 –D. Moxam, E.C. Parker

SCRIBES E. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

We, the Scribe E. Advisory Committee are pleased to submit the following report for the past year.

With the objective of continuous improvement to the communications between the Chapters and the Grand Chapter office before us, we met on many occasions during the past year.

We are especially pleased to report that at the conclusion of last years Grand Convocation, a seminar was held, not only to convey our message regarding the duties of the Chapter Scribe E, but also to learn from those in attendance the concerns that they brought from their respective Chapters and Districts.

With fifteen districts being represented, and with an open and positive discussion, as well as the assistance of the Grand Scribe E, we presented the Scribe E review program, with a request to the Secretaries to the Grand Superintendents, that they take this program back to their respective districts and present it to each Scribe E.

A second meeting was held at the fall Grand Executive meeting with a smaller representation, but again with positive results.

It is also our pleasure to report that we have been successful in developong a Scribe E's Manual, complete with instructions and copies of all forms required by them, along with a check list stating the dates that each form is to be submitted.

We would also request that this Grand Chapter approve and adopt the use of these Manuals, and that the necessary number of Manuals be printed and forwarded to each Chapter in our Grand Jurisdiction.

It is also our request that the Grand Superintendents of the respective Districts, follow-up with all Scribe E's, to ensure that they not only received them, but that they are all completely familiar with their use.

To the Scribe E's of all Chapters, we would like to dedicate this Manual to not only your use but to the success of your endeavours. We know that your duties are not only difficult at times, but their importance is also measured by the success of the Grand Scribe E in the administration of the duties of his office.

To summarize the work of our committee, we believe that the success of our endeavours is a result of open discussions held at the annual convocation of Grand Chapter, the same discussion held at the fall Grand Executive meeting, and the assistance of the Grand Scribe E, and the continuation of these functions along with ongoing reviews of the various forms will only result in continued success.

Most Excellent Sir, it has been with great pride and honour that we have been able to serve this Grand Chapter, and we wish to extend our sincere thanks for the confidence placed in us by you and Grand Chapter. We also wish to thank Most Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe for his guidance and ever willing assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Rt. Ex. Comp. Harry Turner
Rt. Ex. Comp. William Hoffman
Rt. Ex. Comp. Ian Montague, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand H, seconded by Rt. Ex. Comp. Ian Montague, that this report be received and adopted.

REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions. On behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry, it is my privilege to present this report at our 134th. Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Notwithstanding the absence of annual reports from seven districts, your committee will endeavour to present a close approximation of pertinent facts relevant to this report.

Firstly, your committee desires to express our gratitude, certainly shared by all Companions for another year of dynamic leadership from our Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Donald Kline. We congratulate him for the outstanding contribution he has made to Royal Arch Masonry and acknowledge his unselfish devotion to his responsibilities.

We thank all the Grand Superintendents for accepting their office as the official representative of the Grand First Principal, and trust the experience they have gained will encourage them to continue to serve our Royal Craft for many years to come. Special tribute is extended to these Grand Superintendents that were inclined to "go the extra mile" and served with honour and distinction. The results of your leadership are a matter of record.

Communication was directed to all Grand Superintendents on July 12, 1991 – I quote portions there from:

"By virtue of your office you are a member of the committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry and in this respect, I solicit your assistance and support."

For some time now Grand Chapter has eliminated the "Committee on Assistance to Chapters" and this area of responsibility rests with each Grand Superintendent. The success of any organization depends greatly upon good communications.

Please bear in mind, I have the responsibility to prepare and present an interim report on the condition of the Order at our fall executive meeting, on November 2nd. Notwithstanding, there will be several Chapters that have not yet been inspected by the end of October, we

will indeed be half-way through our term of office. I require your interim report no later than October 15th. The content, I trust, will include any particular information that is in the interest of the advancement of Capitular Masonry in your district.

Examples:

1) Any Chapters worthy of special recognition by reason of exceptional increase in membership, or sizeable contribution to Release a Miracle, or other noteworthy achievements.
2) Special events held or planned – to celebrate an anniversary, long service presentation, annual banquet honouring past Grand Superintendents, Master Masons nights, etc.
3) Any problem areas – the cause and what action you have taken to alleviate.

In order that this Committee can best accomplish our mandate, we are reporting a brief overview of the "condition" by district.

The following information was gleaned from data submitted.

ST CLAIR DISTRICT NO. 1 R. Ex. Comp. Harry Coomber

All reports received – complete and comprehensive. A strong district, well administered. 18 candidates – only two withdrawals. Thomas Peters No. 250, Ark No. 80, and Prince of Wales No. 71 amalgamated to form the new Windsor Chapter No. 71. Progress is reported. The work in general is well done and a bright future is predicted for St. Clair District.

LONDON DISTRICT NO. 2 R. Ex. Comp. Frank Standring

All reports received – complete and informative. Strong active district – 13 Chapters, generally progressing. Our largest district with a membership of 1810. We congratulate Hiawatha No. 252 for contributing $6,144.18 representing 33.7% of the total $18,198.63 to Release a Miracle – also Hiawatha is noted for Dr. Orvill Larose Benefit Fund – raised $6,738.31 and dispensed $5,874.94 in benevolent donations.

WILSON DISTRICT NO. 3 R. Ex. Comp. Eric Luke

The Annual District Report was not received. The committee expresses concern that Brantford No. 20 met only four times and Tillsonberg No. 255, Ingersoll No. 41 and Paris No. 115 met only five times. Simcoe No. 23 – no data received. Brant No. 115 is considering amalgamation with Mt. Horab No. 20

WELLINGTON DISTRICT NO. 4 R. Ex. Comp. James Bowman

All reports received except the Interim Report. Nine Chapters – membership – 782. Enthusiastic effort generally prevails – smaller Chapters holding their own.

HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 5 R. Ex. Comp. Robert Norsworthy

No reports other than Official Visit Reports, which were generally comprehensive. 10 Chapters. Strong progressive district with enthusiasm for the future. We recognize Release a Miracle contribution of $6,127.50 by St. Johns No. 6 which is 32% of the district total – $19,130.74.

HURON DISTRICT NO. 6 R. Ex. Comp. Dan Traquair

No Annual or Interim Reports were received. We are concerned that five Chapters out of nine only met five times. Prospects are reported good with one possible exception. We congratulate Bernard No. 146 for contributing $5,145.00 or 43% of the district total to Release a Miracle.

NIAGARA DISTRICT NO 7 R. Ex. Comp. Vaughan Wilson

Excellent Annual Report – 8 Chapters. General proficiency in the ritual was good to excellent, with only one exception. The Committee expresses concern that a First Principal spent the winter in Florida, and as of April 7th. had not yet been installed. We thank the I.P.Z. for his support and dedication. The detailed Annual Report confirms a sincere, diligent effort from the Grand Superintendent. Prospect are good in District 7.

TORONTO DISTRICT NO. 8 R. Ex. Comp. Charles Meldrum

All reports were received – complete and informative. The committee thank and congratulate R. Ex. Comp. Meldrum for his dedicated efforts and diligence. Your accomplishments thus confirmed are a credit to you and your district – and worthy of emulation.

A strong district that has recognized the positive aspects of amalgamation – the average chapter membership is up 20 accordingly. We heartily endorse your district awards of excellence, and congratulate Orient Chapter No. 79 for receiving the Fred Daubney Memorial Trophy for best Chapter. Your five individual awards are an incentive to excellence and we congratulate the recipients. Friendly competition is healthy, and when properly presented and administered, can only provide a positive vehicle for advancement. In this day and age with a preponderance of negative influence, we need all the help we can get.

The committee acknowledge your ten recommendations to enhance membership and with your permission, we would seek the approval of the First Principal elect to implement these worthy ideas throughout our Grand Jurisdiction. Toronto District No. 8 is alive and well.

TORONTO DISTRICT NO 8A R. Ex. Comp. Roy Doherty

All reports received in a very comprehensive manner. Our second largest district with 12 Chapters and membership of 1,457.
During the year, Humber No. 246 amalgamated with Shekinah No. 138, Ulster No. 219 with Lebanon No. 220 and The St. Clair No. 231 with St. Albans No. 217 in District No. 8.

The keen observations of R. Ex. Comp. Doherty are duly recorded along with his method of dealing with and endeavouring to improve or rectify any given situation.

The detailed interim report confirms your personal knowledge of the condition of your district, thus enabling you to assume your responsibilities with enthusiasm, and record a year of progress.

We acknowledge the outstanding contribution to Release a Miracle – 385% of target, totalling $57,419.03 – Mount Sinai No. 212 responsible for 34.7% of the total.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9 R. Ex. Comp. Dr. Thomas Bennett

All reports received except the Interim Report. Excellent annual reports confirm a strong district, well administered. Condition – very good with prospects for the future even

better. The committee singles out Parry Sound No. 261 accepting 11 petitions and completing 11 Royal Arch conferrals. Well Done! Your efforts are worthy of emulation.

We appreciate the sensible suggestions from Dr. Bennett to assist with the collection of year-end statistical date from the Chapters in order to execute the final report of the Grand Superintendents. Your knowledge of the "condition" of District No. 9 was obtained by a sincere dedicated effort.

ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 10 R. Ex. Comp. Paul Kaltwasser

All reports received – comprehensive and informative. Confirms a strong progressive district. 10 Chapters with a membership of 1,015. District 10 reports the highest number of visitors in our jurisdiction.

Attendance in general good. Peterborough No. 36 with an average of 365, Oshawa No. 28 with 32, and Port Hope with 27.

We congratulate District No. 10 got achieving the highest percentage over target for Release a Miracle contributions – 457% totalling $43,969.96 -that's an average of over $43.00 per member with Keystone No. 35 responsible for 40% of the total. Commendable!

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT NO. 11 R. Ex. Comp. Ormond Reid

All reports received – 8 Chapters with a membership of 670. General condition good, prospects bright for the future. Quinte Friendship No. 227 and Moira No. 7 have adopted a resolution to amalgamate. Positive results are impending. Worthy of note is Stirling No. 72 – accepted six petitions and have initiated six candidates, resulting in the only net membership increase in the district.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT NO. 12 R. Ex. Comp. William Holton

We regret, due to the absence of the Annual Report, the committee has no record of any specific action taken to improve or rectify areas of concern that were noted. We congratulate Kemptville No. 68, Morrisburg No. 112 and Cornwall No. 113 on membership increases. Condition appears to be generally good.

OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 13 R. Ex. Comp. Mel Rodgers

All reports received – Maple No. 116 amalgamated with Granite No. 61 on October 15, 1991 and this union is progressing favourably.

Dedication and loyalty is evident throughout the district. We acknowledge five Royal Arch conferrals at Perth No. 226 resulting in a net membership increase of two. General condition good – sincere leadership evident by Grand Superintendent.

ALGOMA DISTRICT NO. 14 R. Ex. Comp. Ross Booth

No reports other than the Official Visit Report. We regret to advise that Geraldton No. 266 failed to muster a quorum on the occasion of the official visit of the Grand Superintendents. They also met only three times during the year. We draw this to the attention of Grand Council for appropriate action. Also, Kenora No.90 failed to confer or exemplify a degree for inspection.

It was reported that 40 members in Thunder Bay No. 82 were in arrears. The absence of annual reports failed to record what advise and recommendations were offered. We regret that lack of further information submitted renders it impossible for us to report further.

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 15 R. Ex. Comp. Robert McConkey

No reports other than the Official Visit Reports. The information at hand confirmed all four Chapters were rated Excellent – St. John's No. 103 had a garden party celebrating their 100th. Anniversary. Condition appears to be quite favourable.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT NO. 16 R. Ex. Comp. Bill Zapotochny

No reports other than the Official Visit Reports. In general, the overall proficiency was rated fair, with prospects generally good.

We are convinced that many Grand Superintendents actually did far more than what they recorded. The committee can only glean, record and report on the facts submitted. Missing reports are responsible for incomplete, thus inaccurate records and make it very difficult for the Grand Scribe E.

We are saddened by the loss of 361 companions over the past year; this compares to 407 for 1990 confirmed by the Grand Scribe E. We share the tribute that is expressed in the report of the committee on fraternal dead and extend sympathy to all who mourn their loss.

We are pleased to report, as the result of continuing positive steps being taken to stem the flow of decreasing membership, suspensions decreased by 52, from 157 in 1990 to 105 this past year. Restorations numbered 19, 7 less than last year and affiliations confirmed at 44, compared to 40 in 1990 – all resulting in a net membership loss of 311, compared to 437 last year.

We acknowledge the contribution of our senior members and applaud their many years of faithful service. The Grand Scribe E confirms the following:

43 – 25 year Past Principals jewels;
13 – 50 year Companion jewels;
1 – 50 year Past Principal jewels; and
1 – 60 year Companion jewel.

May the Great Jehovah grant them good health, that they may continue to enjoy the fruits of their labour.

Based on the information submitted, the committee expresses concern that the actual amount of insurance is not reported. We urge the Scribes E's to determine and record the amount of coverage carried by their chapter and we recommend to those with inadequate or no insurance to remedy this oversight.

Overall, very few social events including Master Masons Nights were held, and the committee heartily commends this type of activity to generate a positive participation, remembering to include the Ladies, that will ensure success.

The committee also recommends each First Principal is aware of the details relating to the Distinguished Service Award. This affords a chapter the opportunity to recognize a worthy companion who is not a Past Principal and has no intention or is unable to advance to the East.

It was noted that the Districts that visit, have far more to report and are generally stronger.

We acknowledge another year of pure dedication by R. Ex. Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie and his committee and thank the Chairman for keeping us informed that we may have the opportunity to "give credit where credit is due".

In closing, we acknowledge the continuing efforts by the various committee chairmen and express, we are sure, the gratitude of all companions for their time, talents and valuable contribution to the overall administration of this Grand Jurisdiction.

We thank the Grand Scribe E for his generous fraternal co-operation and assistance in confirming many items in this report.

Our Grand First Principal has maintained his busy schedule throughout the second year of his term and has left a lasting impression of positive advancement. We pray that the Most High will grant him good health and strength, that he may continue to serve this great jurisdiction. We thank him for the honour and privilege of serving Grand Chapter on this committee.

Those that have executed their duties with enthusiasm and zeal have contributed greatly to our preservation and certain growth. The fruits of their labour will be experienced throughout Ontario for many years to come and will serve to perpetuate and glorify our Royal Craft.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee

Rt. Ex. Comp. Donald Gent
Rt. Ex. Comp. Guenther Gahs
Rt. Ex. Comp. Gilbert Fowler
Rt. Ex. Comp. Alan Walker – Adviser
Rt. Ex. Comp. Donald A. King, Chairman

REPORT ON THE GRAND Z's ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

We, the committee consisting of the Past Grand First Principals, having received the Grand First Principal's address are pleased to submit this report.

A Grand Chapter Convocation could not be as fruitful and satisfying, without the input and fraternalism and presence, from our distinguished guests from sister Grand Jurisdictions and the ruling representatives of other Masonic Bodies. Of particular significance is the attendance of the Most Worshipful Brother Norman Byrne, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

It is said that the winds and waves are always on the side of the best navigator. We are delighted that the Admiral of our fleet – Most Worshipful Brother Byrne is with us to share in our deliberations.

We thank Most Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline for the gracious welcome that he has extended to all who joined us at this 134th Convocation.

Most Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline has been gracious in offering praise and words of thanks to individuals and groups who have worked diligently and faithfully in serving this Grand Chapter. These offerings of gratitude include Rt. Ex. Comp. Mel Duke and his committee who have laboured long and efficiently to ensure that the myriad of arrangements and accommodations were satisfying to all concerned. We are indebted to the Scribes E's of the various Chapters, whose reports to the Grand Chapter, enable our Grand Scribe E., Most Ex. Comp. Edward Elcombe, to submit a extensive overview of our activities to the office of our Grand First Principal. We are especially pleased to share in the acclaim to the Chairman of the Board of Scribe E's, The Grand Scriber E., Most Ex. Comp. Edward W. Elcombe. His astute qualities and well co-ordinated performance is an important link between all Royal Arch Masons and the Grand Chapter Office.

NECROLOGY

All Royal Arch Masons unite with our Grand First Principal in acknowledging the faithful efforts of our departed Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter above.

Most Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Foster served as Grand Superintendent over three decades ago, but his contribution to Masonry was that of honour and dignity for over five decades.

It is appropriate that recognition is offered to Very Ex. Comp. David Gillilan, editor of the Keystone. His skills and editorial abilities maintained a line of communication to all Companions, Chapters and Districts.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The appointments Most Ex. Comp. Kline has made, and the commissions received regarding Grand Representatives is a binding link with Jurisdictions beyond our boundaries.

PAST RANK

Requests for Past Rank are regularly on the desk of Most Ex. Comp. Kline for various reasons. Most notable are those from Lebanon Chapter # 220 on behalf of Ex. Comp. Roy Watson, who because of failing health was unable to assume the Office of First Principal. Keystone Chapter # 224 requested past rank for Rev. Aaron Orr for his many years of dedicated service to his Chapter and other Masonic bodies.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

Most Ex. Comp. Donald F. Kline confirmed the election of those Officers who will represent the Grand First Principal. Their duties, efficiently conducted, will reflect the strengths of Royal Arch Masonry in their respective Districts.

BURSARY AND RELEASE A MIRACLE

It is fair to say that these two important arms of Royal Arch Masonry are the pride and joy of our activities. They reach out into the Craft and the general community bringing us honour and distinction. We appreciate the dedication of the Chairmen, Rt. Ex. Comp. Earl Grey, and Rt. Ex. Comp. Malcolm MacKenzie and their committee members.

AMALGAMATION PROCEDURES

Five ceremonies of amalgamation were witnessed this year. They were well attended and supported. This points to a promising future for those Chapters.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

It is of interest to note from Most Ex. Comp. Kline's report that several Royal Arch Jewels were presented totalling over 250 years of faithful service. We can readily understand M. Ex. Comp. Kline's happiness when he presented three (3) fifty (50) year jewels to the three Wiman brothers of King Hiram Chapter # 57 in Port Colborne. These veteran brothers retain a active participation in their Chapter and Lodge activities.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW

Headed by M. Ex. Comp. Charles Emmett, this Committee has spent countless hours researching and amending many tedious details. We compliment M. Ex. Comp. Kline's discerning choice in selecting this able Committee for their untiring efforts in preparing a revised edition of our Constitution.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

Respect for the leadership of our Grand First Principal is indicated in several ways. One way is the offering of Honourary Memberships. In addition to recognition by certain Chapters, within our jurisdiction, we note that the Grand Chapter of New York bestowed honourary membership in their Grand Chapter upon M. Ex. Comp. Kline. The Grand Council of the High Priesthood of Ontario bestowed the Office of Honourary Grand President on our First Grand Principal. We extend to you our sincere congratulations on these recognitions Most Ex. Sir.

VISITATIONS

The duties of a Grand First Principal entail a heavy though satisfying demand of his time and energies. Nevertheless a dedicated leader will always make time for those things that he wants to make time for. In this regard, in addition to the many visits that have been made within our Jurisdiction, time and effort have been set aside to represent our Grand Chapter in other Jurisdictions. A list of those visits are appended to M. Ex. Comp. Kline's address. We thank you, M. Ex. Sir for representing this Grand Chapter, and reflecting the dignity of your office.

MEMBERSHIP

Understandable, it creates concern when loss of membership derive from deaths, demits, and suspensions. M. Ex. Comp. Kline recognizes that the plug to stop this drain rests in the hands of dedicated individuals in the various Chapters. We heartily support his recommendation to all Chapters to renew their effort to stimulate membership.

RECOGNITION

We note with great pleasure the warm and personal feelings accorded to Rt. Ex. Comps. Jackson and Walker, Grand Second and Third Principals. The support they have afforded

Most. Ex. Comp. Kline, coupled with the application they have indicated to their own responsibilities, bodes well for the ongoing leadership in Grand Chapter.

The weight of leadership is eased substantially when the support of a devoted spouse is always at hand. Mrs. Ruth Kline – we thank you for your valued position in your special area of the management team.

IN CONCLUSION

Our Grand First Principal concludes his address by graciously extending his gratitude to all who have been a part of the operation of Grand Chapter activities – all who have in various ways strengthen the application of Masonry and for the meaningful term of office, now coming to finalization.

We, the Past Grand First Principals of this Grand Chapter say THANK YOU Donald F. Kline for your superb leadership, your application of your talents in directing all of us for the past two years, and for your ready communication at all times. We thank you Most Ex. Sir. for being a friend, accessible and available to direct and advise, and for your total dedication to the cause that we love. May the Great Architect compliment our wish for your future health and success by watching over you and yours, as you continue on your path which lead to the good of our Order.

So Mote it Be.
Respectfully submitted.

William H. Sproule
Gorden H. Stuart
Dr. Fraser Hay
Charles Wm. Emmett
Wm. S. Thomson
Albert A. Mortlock
Leo. J. Gent
Aube L. Weisman
Edward W. Elcombe
Leslie Levitt – Chairman

PUBLIC RELATIONS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Member of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Grand Chapter Public Relations Committee is pleased to report on it's activities since the Grand Chapter Convocation of April 1991. During the past twelve months, the film "The Saga of the Holy Royal Arch of Freemasonry" has been presented at nine Royal Arch Chapters and on Craft Lodge within our provincial jurisdiction.

Following in Chronological order are the Chapters and Districts, and the Craft Lodge at which the film was presented.

April 25, 1991	Tecumseth Chapter No. 264 Tottenham Georgian District No.9
May 1, 1991	Orient Lodge No. 339 Toronto Toronto District No. 3

May 24, 1991	St. Alban's Chapter No. 217 Thornhill Toronto District No. 8
May 24, 1991	Hiram Chapter No. 2 Hamilton Hamilton District No. 5
May 28, 1991	Ionic Chapter No. 83 Orangeville Wellington District No 4
Oct. 9, 1991	Couchiching Chapter No. 198 Orilla Georgian District No. 9
Nov. 7, 1991	North Hastings Chapter No. 267 Bancroft Prince Edward District No.11
Feb. 19, 1992	Huron Chapter No. 30 Goderich Huron District No. 6
Jan. 15, 1992	McNabb Chapter No. 88 Dresden St. Clair District No. 1
April 1, 1992	Maple Granite Chapter No. 61 Ottawa Carlton-Place Ottawa District No. 13

Attendance at the Lodge and Chapters was commendable, and the Officers and Members are to be congratulated for their conscientious effort in promoting Royal Arch Masonry. If any Chapter in the future wants to have a successful Master Mason's Night at which time the film is to be shown, I once again stress the importance that host Chapters should follow the directions and requirements as outlined in "The Syllabus For Holding A Master Mason's Night" as prepared by Most Excellent Companion Gorden H. Stuart.

All of us were saddened by the death of Very Excellent Companion David Gillelan on October 3rd, 1991. His untiring efforts and achievements as Editor of "The Keystone" and his dedication to the Public Relations Committee were laudable and noteworthy. We know full well how much care and attention he exercised in fulfilling his responsibilities with much energy and foresight. "The Keystone" will be published again in the future. A detailed search is now underway to attain a Companion who will undertake the demanding responsibilities as Editor of "The Keystone"

Right Excellent Companion Basil Fowler, Vice-Chairman of the Public Relations Committee co-ordinated the details and assignments relating to the dedication on June 8th, 1991 of the Lodge Room at the Brampton Masonic Building for use by Royal Arch Masons,

and on behalf of the Public Relations Committee we thank the Officers of Peel Chapter No. 195 and Brampton Chapter No. 265 for their assistance. Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline, Grand First Principal completed the necessary dedication ceremony in a most professional manner.

The Public Relations Committee endorses the many social events undertaken by various Chapters and Districts over the past twelve months to bring Companions, their family and friends together socially. Succith Chapter No. 135 in Uxbridge, Toronto District No. 8 for their Strawberry Night in June 1991 when the children were the special guests of the evening. Georgian District No. 9 for their Annual Steak Bar-B-Q at Midland in August 1991 which was attended by many Companions. In addition, many more formal evenings were held relating to receptions for our Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline, and special evenings for presentations of 50 Year Royal Arch Mason Jewels. Of particular note, was the 100th Anniversary on September 21st. of St. John's Chapter No. 103 in North Bay, New Ontario District No. 15. The Public Relations Committee, on behalf of Grand Chapter, also extends sincere congratulations to Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia of London District No. 2 for their continued outstanding community work in helping those who are less fortunate.

The Public Relations Committee extends our heartfelt appreciation to Right Excellent Companion William Hoffman of Keystone Chapter No 35, Whitby, Ontario District No. 10 for his personal involvement and efforts in obtaining free of charge 16mm Singer sound projector from the Allstate Insurance Company. This projector is in excellent condition and will be well used by the Public Relations Committee and Grand Chapter for various presentations.

On March 3rd, 1992, Peel Chapter No. 195, Toronto District No. 8A held an Education Night at which time the Chairman of the Public Relations Committee with the expert assistance of Right Excellent Companions Basil Fowler, Donald Lamont and Robert T. Rigby presented four individual verbal presentations relating to Royal Arch Masonry. The one and a half hour verbal presentation was well received by seven Master Masons and visiting Royal Arch Masons from Hamilton District No. 5, Georgian District No. 9 and Toronto Districts No. 8 and 8A. and we were pleased to have in attendance that evening Right Excellent Companion Roy Doherty. Grand Superintendent, Toronto District 8A. and Most Excellent Companion Ernest Cassidy from Hamilton District No. 5 and we thank them for their very positive comments relating to the presentations.

Two years ago in April 1990 at Grand Convocation, I recommended that a re-concentrated effort should be made by individual Districts and Chapters to have visiting degree teams perform degrees within your districts and at Craft Lodges. I am happy to report that two Districts are now performing this much needed involvement with good results. In addition, Officers of several Chapters are visiting regularly those "Stay-At-Home Companions" and those Companions who are ill or have been absent from their Chapters due to business and family commitments.

As the economy struggles for recovery Royal Arch Masons, indeed Canadians on the whole, are looking carefully at their lifestyles and spending habits. They are assessing priorities and allocating expenditures with more care. Increasingly we find ourselves and our Royal Arch Chapters more intrigued by the visions of tomorrow than by dreams of the past. Let me assure you my Companions that we could not be where we are today and know what we hope to achieve without having a vision. Someone once said,"if you don't know where you are going, any path will take you there."

There is no doubt that our Royal Arch Masonry vision gives us all a clear sense of purpose and direction, of knowing which path to take to achieve our many goals and objectives and to create far stronger, more efficient Chapter and District structures that will enable us to meet the challenges before us. Some of these visions are now turning into action. Lebanon Chapter No. 220 and Ulster Chapter No. 219; Shekinah Chapter No. 138 and Humber Chapter No. 246 in Toronto District No. 8A; St. Alban's Chapter No. 217 and St. Clair Chapter No. 231 in Toronto Districts No. 8 and 8A; Maple Chapter No. 116 in Carlton And Granite Chapter No. 61 in Almonte which is called the Maple Granite Chapter No. 61 in Carlton Place; and the amalgamation of three Chapters in Windsor, namely Prince of Wales Chapter No. 71, Ark Chapter No. 80, and Thomas Peters Chapter No. 250 to be called Windsor Chapter No. 71 in the St. Clair District No. 1

On December 7th, 1991, the Royal Arch Masons Benevolence Committee Toronto Districts No. 8 and No. 8A donated $5,000.00 to the Childrens Wish Foundation of Canada. Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline, Grand First Principal and Right Excellent Companions Charles Meldrum and Roy Dohertyt, Grand Superintendents of District No. 8 and No. 8A respectively and members of the Committee were present for this special occasion. A portion of the money was used to purchase a computer and a printer for a boy named Chad who is terminally ill with Cystic Fibrosis. He cannot attend school, but with s hook-up with the school, he is now able to keep up with his school work while at home. The committee secretary, Excellent Companion John Beard made arrangements with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to donate a complete commuter system with a printer to the Children's Wish Foundation in February 1992 thus the wishes of two children came true.

On December 16th, 1991, the Benevolence Committee of Toronto Districts No. 8 and No. 8A delivered Christmas hampers of fruit cakes, cookies, nuts and chocolates to twelve hostels in the Toronto downtown core area. Many of these hostels are for battered women and their children. The Committee purchased the cakes, and other goods were donated by various companies. Letters of appreciation have been received from the hostels and copies of the letters have been forwarded to the corporate donors.

Toronto District No. 8 had another successful year relating to the sale of fruit cakes and cookies, showing a profit of $2,226.00 on sales of just over $10,400.00 from which the Committee donated $756.00 worth of cakes to the hostels at Christmas time. Many thanks and congratulations go out to Right Excellent Companion George Jones who did a great job in co-ordinating the cake sales. On March 28th, 1992 the Committee hosted their Annual Euchre Night at the Thornhill Masonic Hall for the seniors from Cummer House and Aurora-Newmarket Good Neighbours. It was an evening for the seniors, many of them in wheelchairs, and all of the cakes, cookies, sandwiches and prizes are donated by the Committee. This Committee has done a great job in community work and Public Relations.

Innovative solutions are always possible when we search collectively for them, when teamwork is encouraged, when individual initiatives are respected, and to have great faith in the future of Royal Arch Masonry and an unselfish desire to succeed. Change is inevitable, necessary and invigorating leading to total trust and co-operation. By acting on our Royal Arch Masonry vision we are making the right connection for a bright and prosperous future.

I express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to each member of the Public Relations Committee for their assistance and involvement during the past twelve months. A special "thank you" to Most Excellent Companion Edward W. Elcombe for his patience during my many discussions with him and for the prompt action and total co-operation and advise that I

received from his office. I am grateful to those Companions who are not members of the Public Relations Committee who willingly assisted me in various presentations and a sincere thank you to those Chapters and Companions who called on the services and talents of the Public Relations Committee over the past year.

Most Excellent Companion Donald F. Kline, thank you Sir for your confidence and for giving me the opportunity of serving our Grand Chapter.

Respectively submitted on behalf of the Public Relations Committee:

R. Excellent Companion Basil Fowler – Vice Chairman
R. Excellent Companion Donald J. Gent
R. Excellent Companion Gilbert Fowlow
R. Excellent Companion Bernard Lopatriello
R. Excellent Companion Ed Ounjian
R. Excellent Companion David Rogers
M. Excellent Companion William H. Sproule – Advisor
R. Excellent Companion R. Frank Russell – Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by R. Excellent Companion R. Frank Russell that this report be received and adopted

WILLIAM S. THOMSON MEMBERSHIP TROPHY

M.Ex.Comp. Donald F. Kline requested M.Ex.Comp. William S. Thomson if he would be kind enough to present the trophy. The Grand Scribe E announced that the Chapter with the greatest per centage increase of new members for 1991 was Seguin Chapter No. 261 of Parry Sound. M.Ex.Comp. Thomson said, in presenting the trophy, that all chapters should look to their craft lodges as the only source of new members, congratulated Seguin Chapter and wished for them and all Chapters continued success.

During the proceedings various heads of Concordant and Sister Jurisdictions brought greetings and wishes for our continuing success and their thanks.

BIOGRAPHY

G. ROBERT JACKSON

Personal:

Born – Stratford, Ontario, June 18th, 1918
Educated in the Public and Secondary School System

Marital Status:

Married to Dorthy F. Fleming, September 8th, 1941
Two Daughters and Two Sons
Twelve Grandchildren, Three Great Grandchildren

Business:

Entered the firm of National Grocers Co. Ltd.
Joined the St. Thomas Fire Department, March 17th, 1946 as Probationary Firefighter receiving the Ontario Fire Marshalls Metal for Long Service in 1976. Retired as Platoon Chief on June 30, 1978.

Military and Civil:

Joined the R.C.N.V.R. at London, Ontario, February 1940 as an Ordinary Seaman.
Honourably discharged as Petty Officer on March 10, 1946
Life Member of St. Thomas Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 41
Organized the St. Thomas Public Employees Credit Union and was its Treasurer Manager for ten years
Elected 1955-56, relected 1957-58 and 1959-60 to the St. Thomas Public School Board, first serving a Chairman of Maintenance and then as Chairman of Personal
Past President of the St. Thomas District Trades and Labour Council
Canadian Figure Skating Judge and Accountant 1971-76
President of the St. Thomas Figure Skating Club 1973-74
Member of Central United Church, St. Thomas holding the offices of Clerk of Session, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

MASONIC

Symbolic:

1943: Initiated, Passed and Raised, St. David's Lodge No. 302
1978: Worship Master St. David's Lodge No. 302
1980: Grand Junior Warden, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Member of Heritage Lodge No. 730
Member of the Hamilton Past Masters Association

Most Excellent Companion G. Robert Jackson

Capitular:

1961: Exalted, R.A.M. Palestine Chapter No. 54, St. Thomas
1972: First Principal Palestine Chapter No. 54
1981: Grand Registrar of Grand Chapter R.A.M.
1982: Grand Executive from 1982 to 1987
1988: Grand Third Principal, Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Canada in Province of Ontario
1990: Grand Second Principal, Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Canada in Province of Ontario
1992: Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Canada in Province of Ontario
Honorary Life Member, Huron Chapter R.A.M. No. 27, Port Huron, Michigan

Cryptic:

Honoured, Chosen and Greeted, Nineveh Council No. 3, St. Thomas
1972: Thrice Illlustrious Master, Nineveh Council No. 3,
1972: Commander Noah, Lake Erie Lodge No. 2, Royal Ark Mariners, St. Thomas
1976: Grand Stewart of Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters
Life Member of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario
Life Member, Ontario Council, Thrice Illustrious Masters (Order of Silver Trowel)

Kights Templer:

Installed Knights Templer, Burleigh Preceptory No. 21, St. Thomas
1968: Presiding Preceptor, Burleigh Preceptory No. 21
1978: Provincial Grand Prior, London District (1978-79)

Red Cross of Constantine:

Life Member, Huron Conclave No. 2, London

Allied Masonic Degrees:

Past Sovereign Master, London Council No. 68, London
Rt. Ven. Brother (Inspector) Grand Council 1988-1989
Member of Ye Order of Cork Masonic Order of the Bath

A. & A.S.R.:

Member of St. Thomas Lodge of Perfection, St. Thomas
Member of St. Thomas Chapter of Rose Croix, St. Thomas
Member of Moore Consistory, Hamilton

Sundry:

Member of Mocha Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., London
Life Member Alumni Club, Mocha Temple
Life Member London Shrine Club, London
Member National Association Legion of Honour A.A.O.N.M.S.
Charter Member of Tylers of Solomon Counncil No. 212, St. Thomas
Life Member, Maple Leaf Clan No. 59, Grand & Glorious Order of Hillbilly Degree
Life Member of the Holy Arch Knight Templer Priest District No. 20 Canada Central
Worthy Patron Maple Leaf Chapter O.E.S. 1972-73, 1988-89
Member of Knights of the York Cross of Honour, London

OFFICERS INSTALLED

M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt Past Grand Z, requested M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H. Stuart to install the newly elected and appointed officers. They were then installed under the direction of M.Ex.Comp. Levitt, according to Ancient custom, assisted by, M.Ex.Comps:

Charles W. Emmett
Leo J. Gent
William S. Sproule
Gorden H. Stuart
Albert A. Mortlock
Dr. Fraser Hay
William S. Thomson
Aube L. Weisman
Edward W. Elcombe

Moved by Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That R.Ex.Comp. Basil S. Fowler be appointed as Grand Historian. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That Ex.Comp. Clifton Davis and R.Ex.Comp. P. Bernard Lopatriello by be elected to the Release a Miracle Committee for a term of four years retiring 1997. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That R.Ex.Comp. Kenneth Whiting be elected to the Benevolence Committee for period of three years retiring 1995. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That R.Ex.Comp. Rev. Bev. Leslie be elected to the Bursary Committee for a period of five years retiring 1997. CARRIED

Moved By Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That M.Ex.Comp. Fred Scott be elected to the Distinguished Awards Committee for a period of three years retiring 1995. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That R.Ex.Comp. William Hoffman be appointed Grand Archivist. CARRIED.
Moved by the Grand H., Seconded by the Grand J.,
That our thanks be extended to the Credentials Committee for the efficient manner in which discharged their duties. CARRIED

Moved by Grand H. Seconded by Grand J.,
That our thanks be extended to the Scrutineers Committee for their service in taking charge of the election of the officers. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H. Seconded by Grand J.,
That our thanks be extended to the Chairman of General Committees and Sub-committees for their most successful efforts and acheivments. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H. Seconded by Grand J.,
That our thanks be extended to the Hotel & Staff for making this a very successful convocation. CARRIED.

Moved by Grand H. Seconded by Grand J.,
That our thanks be extended to the installing Board under the direction of M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt, for the dignified manner with which the installation ceremony was conducted. CARRIED.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS INAUGURAL ADDRESS

April 16, 1992

M.Ex.Comp. G. Robert Jackson

Most Excellent Sirs, Distinguished Guests and My Companions. I extend to each of you, my sincere and cordial appreciation for attending our One Hundred and Thirty Fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Today is a high point in my life. It is very difficult indeed, to find the necessary words to express my true feelings. This is one of those occasions, when I am really at a loss for words. Merely to say "Thank You" for elevating me to the revered office of Grand First Principal, seems rather a weak expression of my respect and gratitude; yet these two words, "Thank You" convey my genuine feelings more effectively than any other I can assemble at the moment.

To our visitors, thank you for being with us on this occasion, we have enjoyed your company, and look forward to visiting with you in the rear future.

When I look back over the past two years, I realize the tremendous amount of work that has been done, the progress made, and what has been accomplished. When I look forward, I realize the enormous task, that remains to be done.

I recognize how fortunate that I am, to have the wealth of experience from which to draw upon, as I enter this term of office. I am most privileged to have twelve Past Grand First Principals, and the honour and privilege of working with each of these Companions.

I thank you in advance, Most Excellent Sirs, for your patience and guidance.

However words fail me, I must express my admiration to our Immediate Past Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Donald Frederick Kline. He has guided us through a difficult two years, and the present position of our organization, is a reflection of his skill and devotion to the office of Grand First Principal.

What a difficult man he will be to follow. At this moment, I have but one wish, and that is: "That I shall do as good a job in the two years to come."

An especial "Thank You", to Most Excellent Companion Leslie Levitt, for your support and encouragement over the past number of years. It has meant a lot to me.

To the Chairman and members of the Constitution Review Committee, may I express my personal appreciation for the countless hour and excellent job you have done in completing this much needed task.

To my mother Chapter, Palestine No. 54, and to London District No. 2, a special thank you for having so faithfully supported me. Thank You My Companions.

Companions; I look forward to my term as your Grand First Principal with apprehension and hope. I pledge myself to perform the duties of this eminent office, to the best of my

skill and ability. I will carry on the work, and follow in the paths of my predecessors. I will ever bear in mind that we do not live in a static society or environment. We must be prepared to make adjustments, which may be necessary or expedient, in a changing world.

Change being the only constant in the Universe.

Each generation seeks change for improvement, for greater self fulfilment and for their cherished ego. I do not propose change for the sake of change, but for the advancement of our beloved fraternity.

WE MUST STOP LOOKING BACKWARDS!
LET US LOOK FORWARD NOT WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO BE,
BUT WHERE WE MUST BE IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY.

These are trying times, and no organization can exist without strong roots. We are like a vine that can produce beautiful fruit, but if the vine is not strong enough to bring nourishment from the roots, the fruit will wither and decay, before it ever matures.

Have you ever contemplated life before Masonry? This had crossed my mind numerous times, and as often as I have thought about it, I continue to come to the same conclusions. Life would not be nearly as fulfilling, without Masonry.

Masonry has had a profound effect on my life. I cannot imagine it not continuing to have a prominent place, in all of my activities. Hopefully, my Companions, you feel just as proud of being a Mason, and a Royal Arch Mason as I do, and that you each demonstrate that pride in your daily living.

Bacon, in one of his essays, laid it down that "Friendship saves us from solitude, and strengthens us with faithful allies". Today we are largely a world of town dwellers. But perhaps there are none so lonely as town dwellers, surrounded by so many, yet knowing so few.

Freemasonry provides us with an opportunity to gain friends, not only in our own Lodges and Chapters, but in the Chapters and Lodges that we visit. Freemasonry gives men a common interest. Many a casual meeting had developed into a life-long close friendship.

An active Mason's life seems to be so much more meaningful. There are not enough hours in a day to do everything. Even so, a busy Mason has a broader smile and an overall happy look.

How often have you heard a Companion say "I wish I had become a Mason Sooner?"

I recommend you visit your Lodges and Chapters and enjoy the fellowship. Take an active part in the work, get involved, let the members know that you are a Royal Arch Mason and proud of it.

The fraternal friendships, and lesson each degree portrays, should be used in our daily lives. Live those lessons, for they will give you great satisfaction.

It is a honour to welcome Ex. Comp. Donald G. Cookson, a Past Principal of St. Andrew Chapter No. 238, London and Editor of the Keystone. Ex. Comp. Cookson you have

a legacy of outstanding Companions to follow as Editor, you have our full support and we are confident you will continue the tradition of this worthy and highly respected publication.

Companions; my special project for this year is to raise One Hundred Thousand Dollars, $100,00.00 for the Bursary Fund. It is this fund that assists students, who find it difficult to finance their school year. I know they will be ever grateful to you, for your financial support.

If each Companion, in this Grand Chapter, was to give Eight Dollars $8.00 we could surpass this objective, so I appeal to you, to put forth a exceptional effort this year.

I know we can do it. If Grand Lodge can raise One Million Dollars for drug abuse, surely we, as Royal Arch Masons, can raise One Hundred Thousand Dollars, for the Royal Arch Bursary Fund.

To each of our newly elected and appointed Grand Chapter Officers, I congratulate you on your election and appointment. Together we will strive to make this a happy and memorable year for one and all.

I ask each of you, to support your Grand Superintendent on his visits to the Chapters.

To Rt. Ex. Comp. Alan F. Walker our new Grand Second Principal, and to Rt. Ex. Comp. R. Frank Russell our new Grand Third Principal, my personal congratulations. I feel confident we will work together in harmony, for the mutual benefit of this our Grand Chapter.

To those Districts and Chapters contemplating receptions for the Grand First Principal, please try to keep them cost efficient, so that all Companions and their Ladies will be able to attend. Also please contact our Grand Scribe Ezra so there will be no conflict in dates.

It is my desire and appeal to all Companions that you ensure the continued prosperity and success of our Grand Chapter. We must be actuated, not only by a spirit of devout thankfulness to the Giver of all good, but should submit ourselves in all things, to His beneficence, and that our motives and actions shall conform in all respects to those principals, which we teach and profess.

Animated by such aspirations, let us first of all, faithfully strive and pray, that the ground work of all true success here, shall be laid, and it must follow as night and the day, that under the favour of God, this Grand Chapter shall endure forever.

Our successors, shall then transmit it to future generations, and celebrate with full fruition long after we have travelled on.

Finally, my the Great Jehovah give you wisdom and good health for many years to come.

Thank you my Companions.

G. Robert Jackson
Grand First Principal

CLOSING

The business of the 134rd Convocation being completed, Grand Chapter was closed at 12:30 p.m. in ample form.

Edward W. Elcombe,
Grand Scribe E.

FUTURE CONVOCATION OF GRAND CHAPTER

1993 – April 22nd, 23rd & 24th
Radisson Hotel – London

1994 – April 14th, 15th & 16th
Citadel Inn – Ottawa

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO FROM 1857 TO 1991

* W.M. Wilson	1857
* Thompson Wilson	1858
* T.D. Harrington	1858-60
* John C. Franck	1861-62
* T.D.Harrington	1863-4-5-6-7-8-9-70-71
* S.B. Harmon	1872
* C.D. Macdonnell	1873
* James Seymour	1874
* L.H. Henderson	1875-76
* F.J. Menet	1877-78
* Daniel Spry	1879-80
* Donald Ross	1881-82
* H. MacPherson	1883-84
* Thomas Sargant	1885-86
* Rob Hendry Jr.	1887
* R.B. Hunderford	1888-89
* J.J. Mason	1890-91
* J.E. Harding	1892-93
* John Ross Robertson	1894-95
* M. Walsh	1896-7-8
* William G. Reid	1899-1900
* William Gibson	1901-02
* A. Shaw	1903-04
* William Roaf	1905-06
* John Leslie	1907-08
* George Moore	1909-10
* Fred W. Harcourt	1911-12
* Daniel R. MacWatt	1913-14
* William S.R. Murch	1915-16
* A.S. Gorrell	1917-18
* William N. Ponton	1919-20
* H.S. Griffin	1921
* Richard H. Spencer	1922-23
* Walter H. Davis	1924-25
* Kenneth J. Dunstan	1926-27
* Edwin Smith	1928-29
* Walter G. Price	1930-31
* Chas. W. Haentschel	1932-33
* Alexander Cowan	1934
* George L. Gardiner	1935-36
* William Y. Mills	1937-38
* Llewellyn F. Stephens	1939-40
* John M. Empy	1941-42
* John M. Burden	1943-44
* Reginald V. Conover	1945-46
* Frederick W. Dean	1947-48
* Clarence McL. Pitts	1949-50
* Alexander G.N.Bradshaw	1951-52
* John A.M. Taylor	1953-54
* John L. House	1955-56
* Maurice A. Searle	1857-58
* Bruce H. Smith	1959-60
Charles W. Emmett	1961-62
Fraser Hay	1963-64
* James E. Girven	1965-66
* Stanley Portch	1967-68
* G. Harold Shannon	1969
* Frederick W. Welham	1970-71
Leo J. Gent	1972-73
William S. Thomson	1974-75
William H. Sproule	1976-77
Aube L. Weisman	1978-79
Frederick Scott	1980-81
Gordon H. Stuart	1982-83
Edward W. Elcombe	1984-85
Albert A. Mortlock	1986-87
Leslie Levitt	1988-89
Donald F. Kline	1990-91

HONORARY PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS AND OTHERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

* Henry Robertson	1888
* Kivas Tully	1891
* Hugh Murray	1903
* Harry H. Watson	1909
* E.T. Malone	1919
* A.T. Freed	1920
* John M. Gibson	1922
* Roderick B. Dargavel	1941
* Melville S. Gooderham	1957
* Reginald J. Lewis	1964

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Galloway, Scotland – Grand Z, 1958
Rt.Ex.Comp. Sir George Boag, England – Hon.Past Grand Supt. 1958
* Rt.Ex.Comp. William H. Sweeting, Victoria, Australia – Hon. Past Grand Principal Sojourner 1958
The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Elgin & Kincardine – Hon.Past Grand Z 1975

GRAND SCRIBES E. OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

* Thomas B. Harris	1857-73	* Edwin Smith	1929-49
* R.P. Stephens	1874-75	* Fred J. Johnson	1949-59
* Daniel Spry	1876-77	* Maurice A. Searle	1960-61
* David McLellan	1878-91	* Robert J. Hamilton	1962-69
* Thomas Sargent	1892-98	* Fred C. Conley	1969-78
* George J. Bennett	1899-1915	Robert T. Rigby	1978-88
* Henry T. Smith	1916-28	Edward W. Elcombe	1988-

**Deceased*

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